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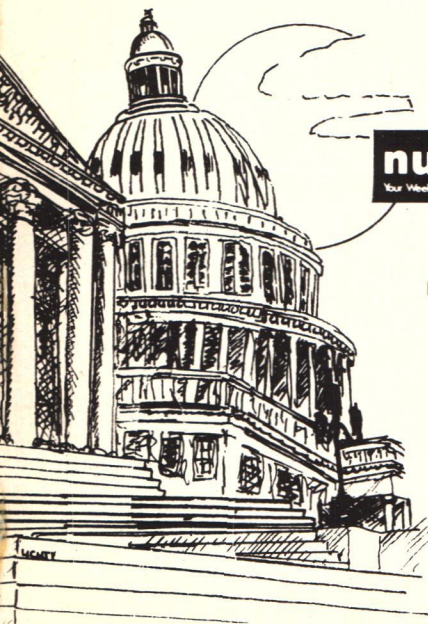
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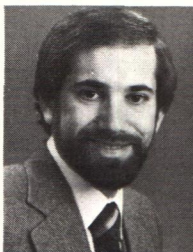
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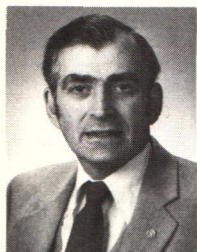
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Q. DAVID BOWERS

I appreciate the many good wishes and encouragement given to me by ANA members in recent times. As your new president, I pledge my best efforts to help make the ANA better than ever.

As we enter Autumn 1983, the ANA is stronger than it has ever been. The expansion of the Colorado Springs headquarters has been completed for some time now, and, with the exception of the Photography Department, the staff is settled in permanent offices and is turning out a great variety of work and services. The Photography Department is still on the "things to do" list, awaiting the necessary funds.

The ANA Grading Service, once very controversial, is now universally respected as an impartial and expert arbiter of grading disputes. The closely-related Certification Service continues to publish news of discoveries, counterfeits and other facets of coin study.

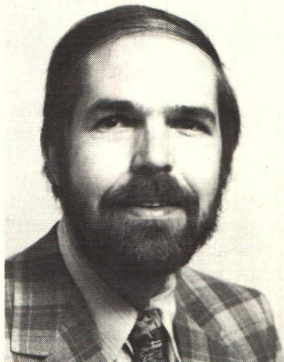
The ANA Library, which loans books and slide programs and sells reprints and various publications, is doing just fine, as is the Membership Department, *The Numismatist*, the Museum, the Seminar Program and the 101 other services that make up your organization. Although it would be tempting to rest on the laurels of the Association's achievements, in my opinion many things have yet to be accomplished.

Membership is the key to growth and financial strength; the more members we recruit, the more services the ANA will be able to provide. I recommend that members sign up at least three individuals during the coming year—a modest goal. The annual membership fee of \$18 is less than the cost of dinner in a nice restaurant, and yet this \$18 brings pleasure and benefits year 'round.

The dealer community reaches tens of thousands of collectors who are not ANA members. Consequently, I encourage dealer friends of the ANA—dealers who enjoy our annual conventions and benefit from the stability ANACS has given the hobby—to include an "ANA page" in their catalogs or insert ANA brochures in their mailings. Without fanfare or any special effort, Bowers & Ruddy Galleries did this a few years ago, enlisting thousands of new members! Because dealers may not want their clients bombarded with competitive offers, arrangements can be made to omit the applicant's street address from the monthly membership listing in *The Numismatist*.

To most of our members, *The Numismatist* is the ANA. Of the 38,000 individuals on the membership roster, only about 8,000 attend the conventions, borrow books from the Library, submit coins for grading or certification, or otherwise take advantage of ANA services. For the remaining 30,000 members, *The Numismatist* is the greatest advantage of membership and keeps them coming back each year for more.

Today, *The Numismatist* is better than ever. Just compare a recent issue with one of 20 years ago, and you will see better graphics, a greater diversity of articles and more interesting advertising. Still, as one who is active in writing and publishing, I feel that there is room for improvement. Many have said they do not read the advertisements because they feel that the ads do not actually offer coins for sale or are repeated from preceding months. I propose that advertising rates be adjusted to provide an economic incentive for dealers to describe the items they have for sale and their price. In this regard, a precedent was set by *AB Bookman*, a journal focusing on the rare book trade. This publication developed a two-step advertising rate schedule: the lower rate applies to listings of specific books wanted or priced for sale; the higher rate pertains to offerings of services, modern books, etc. At present, it is easier for the limited staff of *The Numismatist* to repeat the same advertisement rather than create a new one each



month. If we are to have a stream of fresh ads in every issue, additional personnel and equipment will be needed.

While spending a week at ANA headquarters during Summer Seminar in July, I became acquainted with the daily newspaper *USA Today*, which as yet is not available in my home state of New Hampshire. I was impressed with the fast-moving commentary on many different subjects, and once I began to read, I found it very difficult to put down. The thought crossed my mind that *The Numismatist* would do well to follow this example. In addition to the columns and news items regularly featured, *The Numismatist* could run a column each month that deals with a number of different numismatic subjects. In this way, the magazine might have greater appeal to more members.

At present *The Numismatist* does not pay for its articles, whereas most other numismatic periodicals offer their contributing authors some remuneration. As your president, I would not accept a penny for anything I write; however, many of the best numismatic authors depend on writing for their livelihood. By offering compensation *The Numismatist* could attract a greater and varied quantity of articles.

In recent years much legislation affecting the hobby has been proposed, and some proposals have been adopted by various local, state, regional and national entities. Although we must be careful to preserve our tax-exempt status, which enables the ANA to take advantage of special mail rates and allows collectors to make tax-deductible donations to the Association, a number of members feel that a separate corporate entity should be investigated.

A few years ago the ANA's income permitted the development of many new and innovative ideas. However, for the past year your organization has operated at a deficit. Although individual donations to the Building Fund and other areas have been generous, I feel that we must operate on the basis that regular income equals regular outgo. To accomplish this, the ANA must explore new sources of revenue. Possible sources of income might include: 1) a dues increase (I think membership should be *free*, but at the current rate of \$18 per year, ANA membership is a bargain); 2) admission charged to conventions (most organizations charge admission to their shows and conventions—perhaps the ANA could charge \$5 per day or \$20 for a week-long pass); 3) increased fees for bourse tables (at \$750 the summer convention bourse fee is only one-half to one-third of that charged by trade shows of comparable quality).

Many more options remain to be discussed, of course. Ultimately, your Board of Governors will make the final decisions, but I will certainly give them the benefit of my ideas. Your ideas, too, are most welcome and are just as important as any I might offer.

As a professional numismatist, I have attended hundreds of coin shows, met thousands of collectors and have become very familiar with the hobby. Although some ANA members may be in it just for the money (no pun intended), I believe that most take a larger view and enjoy the art, history, romance, adventure and fellowship of the numismatic hobby. The ANA is the mortar that cements it all together. You, as a member, own the ANA, including its services and facilities. With due appreciation for the present situation and the ANA's glorious past, let's look to the future with eagerness and enthusiasm to make it better than ever! I pledge to do my part. May I count on you to do the same?



LETTERS

Brenner Catalog Praised

A gentleman who subscribes to *The Numismatist* was kind enough to allow me to read the July 1983 issue, with particular emphasis on the article written by Glenn B. Smedley titled "The Works of Victor David Brenner."

I am particularly impressed since I am a great-niece of Victor D. Brenner, and the article covered a wide range of his works. Our family has known of some of these, but as the article pointed out, the records he kept were incomplete.

I would like to obtain a few copies of this issue so that I may distribute them amongst our relatives.

Helen Druse

It is with pleasure that I am writing these few lines. The article on Victor David Brenner appearing in the July issue of *The Numismatist* is very inspiring to a researcher and author. It is well written and edited. Certainly, I will make a thorough study of the contents, which are so rich in data that I may use some information for our *Catalogue of Medals, Medallions, Decorations and Badges Struck by the United States Mint: 1792-1976*.

These articles on medals in *The Numismatist* are the source of more creative numismatic art. Our humble and sincere compliments to Mr. Smedley.

Francis Pessolano-Filos, ANA-76467
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Authority Contradicts Biblical Article

I must write about a glaring error in the article "A Price for Betrayal" in the July issue. In the section describing "The Widow's Mite," the author states that "the most common were those minted under Herod Antipas, son of Herod I, then tetrarch of Galilee and Perea."

Actually, the coins of Herod Antipas are among the rarest of any Judaeen pieces and sell today for many hundreds of dollars, even in low grades. Also, most of Antipas' coins were much larger than the denomination that was referred to in the Biblical quote "And he saw a certain poor

widow casting in thither her two mites" (Luke 21:2). There were numerous tiny bronze coins circulating in Jerusalem in Jesus' time minted by the Hasmonians—John Hyrcanus (135-104 B.C.), Alexander Jannaeus (103-76 B.C.) and Jonathan Hyrcanus II (63-40 B.C.); by the Herodians—Herod the Great (37-4 B.C.) and Herod Archelaus (4 B.C.- 6 A.D.); and by the Roman Procurators—Caponius (6-9 A.D.), Ambibulus (9-12 A.D.), Gratus (15-26 A.D.) and Pontius Pilate (26-36 A.D.).

The small, bronze leptons (called "mites") issued by any of these rulers are far more likely candidates for "The Widow's Mite." Many of these coins are still quite common and can be purchased in low grades for only a few dollars.

I would be most interested to learn how Mr. Potter reached his unique conclusion, which radically differs from past writings in the field.

Mel Wacks, ANA-35884

Reader Surprised by "Pleasant Coincidence"

My wife and I just returned from our vacation, which included a lovely side trip to the Augustus Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site. My June issue of *The Numismatist* arrived with the outstanding column by Q. David Bowers about the high-relief 1907 Double Eagle designed by Saint-Gaudens. You could "blow me down"—what a pleasant coincidence!

Please keep up the high quality of the material; it is needed and appreciated.

John D. Pryor, LM-3128

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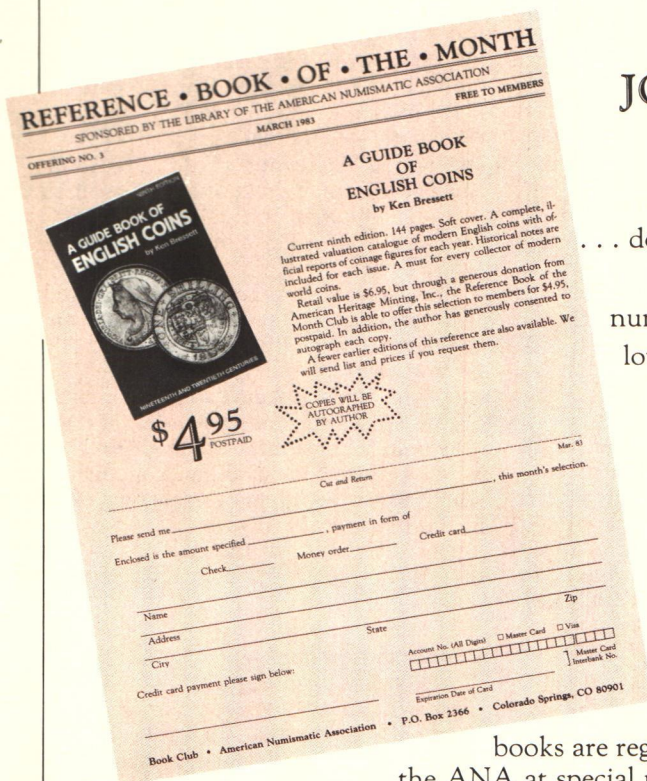
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The Department of the Treasury has published a listing of numismatic items currently available titled "Official Coins and Medals Sold by the U.S. Mint." The free booklet contains order forms and information about annual Proof sets, George Washington commemorative half dollars, Olympic commemorative coins and Bicentennial Proof and Uncirculated sets. Also featured are the one-ounce gold medallions honoring Grant Wood, Mark Twain, Louis Armstrong, Robert Frost and Helen Hayes, as well as the half-ounce medallions, which acclaim Marian Anderson, Willa Cather, Frank Lloyd Wright, Alexander Calder and John Steinbeck. Medals offered include those depicting Ronald Reagan, Donna Pope, American Red Cross, U.S.-Netherlands Treaty Bicentennial, Ambassador Kenneth Taylor, Robert F. Kennedy and Transatlantic Balloonists.

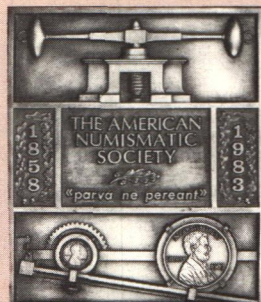
The Department of the Treasury offers a variety of other publications,

including "Annual Report of the Director of the Mint, FY 1981," \$4.50; "Domestic and Foreign Coins Manufactured by the Mints of the U.S., 1793-1980," \$5.50; "Medals of the U.S. Mint Issued for Public Sale," \$5.25; and "The World's Monetary Stocks of Gold, Silver and Coins, 1979," \$5. Booklets may be ordered from the U.S. Government Printing Office,

Washington, D.C. 20402 or from the Bureau of the Mint, 501 13th St. N.W., Room 906, Washington, D.C. 20220.

Also available from the Bureau of the Mint is a free publication, "Medals of the U.S. Mint: Price List and Order Form." Further information can be obtained by contacting the Consumer Affairs Staff, Bureau of the Mint.

ANS Celebrates 125th Anniversary



Commemorating decades of service, the American Numismatic Society held its 125th Anniversary Celebration September 9-10 at Audubon Terrace, New York City. Highlights included a two-day symposium with the theme *Numismatics and History—Methodological Approaches*, which consisted of three sessions of presentations including "Some Cretan Die Engravers of the Fourth Century B.C.," "The So-Called 'Pseudo-Autonomous' Greek Imperials," "Usurpers of the East: Hoard Evidence for Monarchs and Mints," "Imitations of Roman Coins, A.D. 328-63," "Calculations from Die Link Statistics," "The Numismatic Evidence on the Reconstruction of Asumite Kings' Line," "The Role of Coinage in Carolingian Europe," and "The Dirham Hoards from Medieval Russia in Comparative Perspective." A major new exhibition, "The World of Coins," featuring the role of money in the development of the diverse cultures around the globe, also officially opened, accompanied by the issuance of a specially commissioned anniversary medal.

Created by Marcel Jovine, the rectangular commemorative (90mm by 110mm) was struck in both bronze and silver and weighs 500 grams. Available for public sale, the ANS medal features on its obverse the image of a minter in very high relief against a background of coins representing the range of historic world coinage. The reverse depicts a screw press atop the Society's name and motto *PARVA NE PEREANT* (let not the small things perish) and the dates 1858 and 1983.

Bureau Appoints Assistant Director

Robert J. Leuver, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, has announced the appointment of Joseph M. DeBose, Jr. as assistant director of operations. A Bureau employee for 26 years, Mr. DeBose was formerly chief of the Office of Securities Processing and most recently served as acting assistant director of Operations. His new responsibilities require management of the production of the Bureau's many monetary items, including the issuance of more than 4.6 billion currency notes and 34 billion stamps.

A native of Jacksonville, Florida, and graduate of Hampton Institute, Virginia, DeBose is a certified engineering technician and a member of the Federal Executive Institute Alumni Association, board of directors of the BEP Federal Credit Union, and the Gravure Technical Association.

Ancient Coin Titles Released

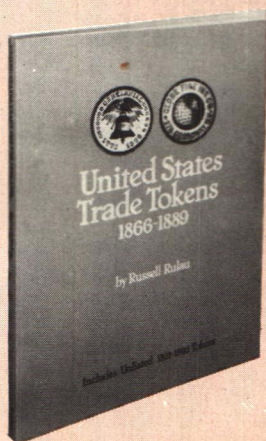
Numismatic Fine Arts of Beverly Hills has published two new volumes dealing with coinage of antiquity. The first, *Wealth of the Ancient World: The Nelson Bunker Hunt and William Herbert Hunt Collection*, is an illustrated catalog of specimens in the noted Hunt Collection, which covers the Geometric to Late Roman periods. The paperback edition is priced at \$29.95 and the hardcover at \$50.

G.K. Jenkins, keeper of the coins and medals emeritus at the British Museum, and R. Ross Holloway, director of the Center for Old World Archaeology and Art at Brown University, have

collaborated in writing *Terina*, a volume about the mysterious city of Greek Calabria that has bequeathed little to posterity except her coinage. Appearing about 450 B.C., Terinan silver issues span 150 years and feature a varied and distinctive series of nymph heads coupled with images of a standing, seated or flying Victory. For the first time in studies of *Terina* the illustrated work includes silver fractions and bronze issues, and a general study of *Terina's* place in the history of Greek coinage and coin art. Selling for \$35, *Terina*, along with *Wealth of the Ancient World*, may be ordered from Numismatic Fine Arts, Inc., P.O. Box 3788, Beverly Hills, CA 90212.

Token Catalog Available

The latest edition of the numismatic reference series, *United States Trade Tokens 1866-1889* by Russell Rulau, has been released by Krause Publications, cataloging all known tokens of the post-Civil War period in four degrees of condition. Succeeding earlier works in the series—*Early American Tokens, 1700-1832*, *Hard Times Tokens, 1832-1844* and *U.S. Merchant Tokens, 1845-1860*—this effort



details private coinage and advertising tokens of an industrializing America and includes store cards, advertising checks, saloon and billiard tokens, checks for value, work and railroad checks, picker chits (agricultural tokens), exposition and festival medalets and counter-stamped coins. The reference may be obtained for \$12.95 from Krause Publications, Book Division, 700 East State St., Iola, WI 54990.

Double Eagle Fetches Record Price

Garnering a record \$290,000, the Eliasberg specimen of the excessively rare 1927-D \$20 gold piece was recently sold at a private sale by Manfra, Tordella & Brookes, Inc. Rarest of all collectible Saint-Gaudens \$20 denominations, this piece is rated as Choice Brilliant Uncirculated MS-65 and surpasses in rarity even the famed Roman numeral 1907 extremely high relief issue. Although 180,000 1927-D \$20 pieces were struck, it is assumed that the great majority were consigned to the melting pot, as only 10 to 12 pieces are presumed extant. Originally owned by F.C.C. Boyd of the Union News Company, whose collection was once described as "the world's greatest collection of United States gold coins," the coin was obtained by Louis Eliasberg at auction in 1946.

Lincoln Errors Detailed

Newly introduced copper-plated, zinc-core Lincoln cents have been responsible for an entirely new kind of error coin—the two-toned, off-center-struck cent. In sharp contrast to the reddish color of the plating, the zinc core of these issues shows through as a silvery-

colored metal.

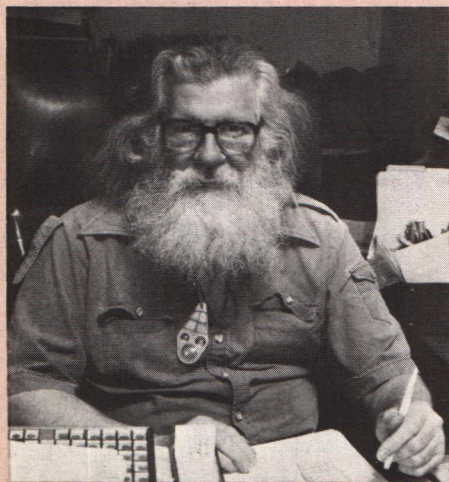
Details of this new discovery appear in the "Numismatic Error Primer," an article featured in July 1983 *Error Trends Coin Magazine*, along with the story of how the inadvertent release of both plated and unplated blank

planchets has created other rarities in the error coin collecting hobby. Also featured in this issue is information describing how error coins are produced and how to avoid being "stung" with faked errors.

Error Trends Coin Magazine, which offers its

subscribers free error coin authentication, has been published monthly for the past 15 years and offers back-issues for \$1 each and subscriptions at \$8 per year. Orders for copies or subscriptions should be directed to ETCM, P.O. Box 158, Oceanside, NY 11572.

California Fractional Gold Cataloged



Walter Breen



Destined to become the standard text in its field, the catalog of the Kenneth Lee Collection of California fractional gold coins has been compiled by Walter Breen and will be published later this year by Pacific Coast Auction Galleries. The 451-piece collection, originally scheduled for auction at the San Francisco convention of the Northern California Numismatic Association, was recently purchased intact by a California investment syndicate for a reported mid-six-figure sum, eliminating the need for an auction catalog. According to the publisher, the new reference book is offered in hopes that it will replace all previous works about California fractional currency, ensuring that the research conducted by Breen and others will not be lost to numismatics. This goal reportedly will be accomplished by illustrating virtually all types (even if missing from the Lee Collection), organizing the text by manufacturers in chronological order, debunking many of the myths associated with the series and by using new Breen reference numbers. Full-color slides prepared for the volume will be donated to the ANS, ANA, California Historical Society and the Bancroft Library of the University of California, and will be made available to the public at a modest cost.

California fractional gold, Breen indicates, "has remained for over a century the most enigmatic and the most undervalued series in American numismatics. It has suffered alike from lack of information, from misinformation and from poor reference works." Fractional gold currency originally was struck in the early 1850s by manufacturing jewelers to provide change for small transactions, because Humbert's Assay Office—which was really a provisional U.S. Mint—was forbidden to issue anything smaller than a \$50 gold coin. The issues can be divided into three series: Period One, undated or dated 1852-1856; Period Two, dated 1859-1882; and Period Three, circa 1883-1915, including backdated pieces. Many of the Period One coins are of nearly correct weight and show signs of circulation, while later Period Two and Three issues are grossly underweight (9 or 10kt gold) and occur in new or almost new condition as befits noncirculating souvenirs.

Collectors wishing additional information about the Lee Collection of Fractional Gold reference book or the slide sets should contact Ronald Gillio, Pacific Coast Auction Galleries, Inc., 1103 State St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Fazzari Named Distinguished Lecturer

Adelphi University of Long Island, New York, has announced F. Michael Fazzari as "Distinguished Lecturer in Numismatics" in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the growth and influence of the university's Institute of Numismatic and Philatelic Studies (INPS). A graduate student of George Washington University with a degree in geology, Fazzari is currently assistant director of the International Numismatic Society Authentication Bureau and is responsible for creating Adelphi's advanced course in numismatics, "Rare Coin Grading and Authentication." The course, offered in-residence each semester and as a three-day seminar, deals with the distinguishing characteristics of genuine and counterfeit coins, grading with emphasis on distinction between AU and Uncirculated grades, and the use of valuable skills such as stereo-microscopic examination. Future seminars will be held September 23-25 at George Washington University, October 14-16 at the University of Rochester and October 21-23 at Adelphi University.

Registration is now in progress for three courses to be offered at the Institute during fall semester beginning October 8: "Fundamentals of Coin Collecting and Investing," "Coins of the Ancient World," and "Rare Coin Grading and Authentication." Those wishing to participate in seminars or courses or desiring information about the INPS home study course, "Fundamentals of Rare Coin Collecting and Investing," should contact Gloria Green, Director, Institute of

Numismatic and Philatelic Studies, Adelphi University, Garden City, NY 11530 or telephone the office of Dr. James F. Bender, Dean of Development, 516/294-8700, extension 7660.

Canadian Numismatics Featured in Bulletin

For collectors of Canadian currency, Silver Dollars Reg'd. has offered a free bulletin of the firm's ten most popular coin packages, including George V (1920-36) pennies, commemorative silver dollars, Constitution commemoratives, encapsulated BU nickel dollar sets, King George V nickels, silver dollar date sets, 1956-67 Proof-like sets, and package sets containing coins, tokens, paper money and medals. Copies of the bulletin may be obtained by contacting Silver Dollars Reg'd., 389 King St. W., Toronto, Ontario M5V 1K1.

Catalog Revised in Tenth Edition

Krause Publications of Iola, Wisconsin, has released the tenth edition of the *Standard Catalog of World Coins*, a reference containing more than 75,000 coin listings by date and mint as well as 41,000 actual-size coin photos. The authors report that more than 192,000 revisions will put collectors in tune with market shifts since the last edition. Included are an "Instant Identifier" section that will help match coins to their country of origin, an index to world-wide denominations, and tables of foreign exchange rates.

In addition to 1,300 listings of coin-issuing countries, states, provinces and cities, and current market valuations in up to four grades of preservation, the volume contains new material never before offered. Entered for the first



time are data for Vietnamese issues covering the coins of the Nguyen Kingdom (1739-1789), The Empire (1740-1789) and the Tayson Rebellion Period (1778-1802). German states listings have been expanded with the addition of certain 18th-century issues of Schaumburg-Hessen, Schaumburg-Lippe, Schonau, Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt, Werden and Helmstaedt, Weid-Neuwied and Wied-Runkel.

The 1984 softcover edition is priced at \$32.50 and may be purchased directly from the publisher, Krause Publications, 700 East State St., Iola, WI 54990.

Manfra, Tordella & Brookes Opens Branch

The New York City-based numismatic, bullion and currency exchange dealership of Manfra, Tordella & Brookes, Inc. has expanded its services to Miami with the opening of a new branch office. Under the directorship of Manuel Aguiar, the new branch offers the same services as the Manhattan office and is currently in the process of computerizing its operations. Located at the gateway to the Caribbean and Latin America, the office will devote much of its efforts toward currency

exchange services in addition to coin and bullion investment. MTB's Florida branch is located at 1 Biscayne Tower, Suite 1990, Miami, FL 33131 and may be contacted toll free, 800/327-1077.

Red Book Released

Western Publishing Company has recently issued the 37th revised edition of *A Guide Book of United States Coins*, by R.S. Yeoman, edited by ANACS Director Kenneth Bressett. Cautious optimism was reflected by most of the 70-member select numismatic panel who contributed price information for this edition, resulting in the number of price advances being nearly as numerous as that of price declines. "If a single observation is to be made about the new price levels of the Red Book, it is that values have at least stabilized. They now reflect a solid floor with room for growth as a new wave of interest sweeps the market," noted Bressett. As expected, price revisions occurred in every section, with Colonial and Territorial issues continuing to demonstrate relatively stable values after major auction sales of the last two years established record price levels for numerous rarities. Receiving special attention this year was the gold coin section, about which Mr. Bressett commented, "Many pieces not seen in recent years can now be valued because of auction prices established at the historic 'U.S. Gold Coin Collection' sale. This nearly complete collection of every U.S. gold coin set the stage for renewed interest in Choice and Rare pieces. It demonstrates dramatically that prices are indeed on the way back up toward their former levels."

Included as the annual editorial feature is a historical perspective of the publication written by the author entitled "The Red Book Story, A Retrospective." Aimed at giving hobbyists an insight to the origin of the book and how it is compiled and produced, the article also describes what happens when the best laid plans go wrong. Available at many coin, hobby and book stores for \$5.95, the latest edition of the Red Book also may be ordered directly from Western Publishing Company, Department M, P.O. Box 700, Racine, WI 53401.

Walton Named Director

Gerome Walton of Colorado Springs, Colorado, has been named assistant managing director of the Lewis M. Reagan Memorial Foundation, Inc. by Kenneth L. Hallenbeck, managing director. Walton will assist in the operations of the foundation, partially filling the void left by the death of Abe Kosoff, past president.

A native of Nebraska, Walton is known for his book *A History of Nebraska Banking and Paper Money*, as well as "The Dates on Nebraska Nationals" and "The Last Note," published in *The Numismatist* and *Paper Money*, respectively. Past president of the



Gerome Walton

Colorado Springs Numismatic Society, he is a member of the ANA, the Society of Paper Money Collectors, the Nebraska Numismatic Association, the Central States Numismatic Society and the Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association.

Gold Rush Title Published

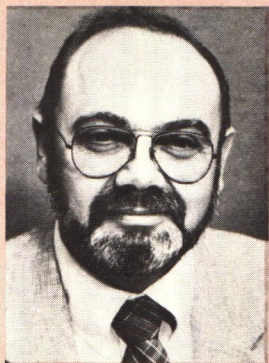
Operating from the heart of the Cripple Creek and Victor, Colorado, gold caldera, Pollux Press has released *The Last Gold Rush: A Pictorial History of the Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining District*, a graphic reminiscence of the Pikes Peak Lode. The profusely-illustrated volume, authored by Bill Grimstad and Raymond L. Drake, contains period photographs and narrative that revive the colorful era of the Old West. Specially autographed and numbered first editions are available in hardcover for \$20 or softcover for \$10 from Pollux Press, P.O. Box 12, Victor, CO 80860.

Royal Mint Appoints Agent

Announcing the appointment of Judith Frank Kaller as official North American agent for distribution in the U.S. and Canada, the British Royal Mint expressed the desire to offer fuller service to the numismatic trade in North America. The Mint will continue to serve collectors through its existing Bureau in New York, while Mrs. Kaller will handle most of the dealer and bulk order business. Further information, as well as a special dealer information kit, may be secured by writing or calling Judith Frank Kaller, Kaller Associates, Barclays Bank Building, 333 North Broadway, Jericho, NY 11753, 516/938-6016.

Trade Association Confronts Issues

Commenting on the present climate for investors and dealers, Luis Vigdor, founding chairman of the newly formed Industry Council for Tangible Assets (ICTA), noted that "an industry-wide association is overdue. We will expend every effort to protect the tangible assets industry from undue legislation. By developing a code of ethics and standards and opposing congressional legislation, we will actively defend the interests of the American consumer who has tangible assets as an integral part of his investment portfolio . . . Also, ICTA will offer general assistance, including informational services, to businesses coast-to-coast fighting for equitable treatment from state and city legislators." Among ICTA's pressing legislative



Luis Vigdor

concerns and immediate objectives are to oppose congressional proposals discriminating against tangible asset investments, such as gold, silver, jewelry, art, numismatics and stamps, denying their favorable capital tax gains treatment; defeat a congressional resolution contained in Export Administration Bill HR3231,

aimed at banning importation of the kruggerand; seek clarification of the ambiguous IRS regulation 6045, requiring detailed reporting of gold and silver bullion transactions; oppose HR 1783, which compels massive record-keeping, lengthy holding-periods and registration of thumb-prints; repeal the IRS code section (8M) placing restrictions on holding tangible assets in IRA and Keogh plans; and prevent burdensome and unnecessary regulations by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and other agencies.

Auction Catalog Reference Published

George Frederick Kolbe Publications of Crestline, California, has announced the recent publication of John W. Adams' reference *United States Numismatic Literature, Volume I, Nineteenth Century Auction Catalogs*. The first section of the reference, an in-depth guide to auction catalogers, provides the reader with 19 chapters, each focusing on the work of one cataloger. Information presented includes the cataloger's biography, portrait and a detailed listing of all catalogs issued.

The second section of the reference features the catalogs themselves, rated by importance of content in 25 different categories. The 270-page, handsewn, bound reference features 23 full-page photographic plates and is limited to 500 numbered copies. *United States Numismatic Literature* retails for \$85 postpaid and is available from George F. Kolbe Publications, P.O. Drawer 1610-A, Crestline, CA 92325.

Liberty Halves Reference Planned

Author Anthony Swiatek and publisher Sanford J. Durst are readying their first definitive work on Walking Liberty half dollars. The "Walker" was designed by Adolph A. Weinman after the noted French silver coinage by Roty; the dies were engraved by Charles Barber. Cornelius Vermeule of the Museum of Fine Arts Boston states that "this half dollar is one of the greatest coins of the United States, if not the world, and is as modern as official sculpture can ever be. It has the combination of naturalism, classicism and dignified inner balance . . ."

The book will consist of a complete year-by-year, mintmark-by-mintmark analysis of the entire collectible series, which spans thirty years. The volume will include enlarged photos and new line drawings to show both varieties and gradings. Special efforts will be made to discuss striking, coin characteristics, mintage and "survival" factors. Rarity factors, five- and ten-year value projections, and prior auction results will be included, as well as an analysis of the criteria for determining the value of the Walking Liberty halves.

According to the publisher, the book will consist of 64-80 pages and will be available in both soft and hard covers. Hardbound volumes will be limited to a thousand numbered, autographed copies. The softcover edition will sell for \$9.95, the hardcover for \$15.95. All orders and inquiries should be directed to Sanford J. Durst, 29-28 41st Ave., Suite 1111, Long Island City, New York 11101.

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UNITED STATES GOLD COINS

A Historical Perspective

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Gold has long been a universal monetary standard of value. Stone-age cavemen, Egyptian pharaohs and heads of state from ancient times to the present have all considered gold a precious commodity, adorning and surrounding themselves with this virtually indestructible substance. Since the first official minting of gold coinage by King Croesus of Lydia late in the 6th century B.C., gold coins have been a favorite subject of collectors everywhere. In the United States, various denominations of gold coinage issued in the years 1795 through 1933 have provided collectors with an interesting perspective from which to study American history.

When the United States of America was composed of thirteen struggling British colonies, circulating coinage was scarce. The English government did not allow Colonists to mint their own coins, and since an adequate supply of English money was not available in North America, the settlers bartered objects among themselves and utilized coinage of other nations. The Spanish gold doubloon, equal in value to 16 Spanish-milled dollars, was probably most widely used by the Colonists in settling larger transactions. In his book *United States Gold Coins, An Illustrated History*, author Q. David Bowers notes that "Spanish doubloons and many other foreign issues remained legal tender in the United States until 1857, well over a half century after the United States began issuing its own gold coins."

On April 15, 1790, the Congress of the United States instructed Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton to prepare a plan for the establishment of a national mint, and on March 3 of the following year President Washington approved a joint resolution of Congress to establish a coining facility. It was decided that the national mint should

be located in the capital city of Philadelphia. Construction began July 19, 1792, and by November of the same year production of national coinage had commenced. The first Coinage Act of April 2, 1792, made provisions for coins in ten denominations, ranging from a copper half cent to a \$10 gold piece called an Eagle. The first official coins, copper cents and half cents, were released for circulation by the Mint in 1793.

The Philadelphia Mint issued the first U.S. gold coins—\$10 Eagles and \$5 Half Eagles—in 1795. Chief Mint engraver Robert Scot designed the coins in accordance with the Coinage Act, which required that the obverse of all Mint coins depict an impression emblematic of Liberty with the year of coinage, and that the reverse feature "a figure or representation of an Eagle." Scot's obverse design embodied the figure of a draped woman wearing a Phrygian or Liberty cap.¹ Fifteen stars arranged on the outer edge of the obverse represented the fifteen states that evolved from the original thirteen colonies. A sixteenth star was added when Tennessee joined the Union, but when it became apparent that the country was soon to expand with the

Congress of the United States:

AT THE THIRD SESSION,

Begun and held at the City of Philadelphia, on
Monday the sixth of December, one thousand seven hundred and ninety.

RESOLVED by the SENATE and HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a mint shall be established under such regulations as shall be directed by law.

Resolved, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to cause to be engaged, such principal artists as shall be necessary to carry the preceeding resolution into effect, and to stipulate the terms and conditions of their service, and also to cause to be procured such apparatus as shall be requisite for the same purpose.

FREDERICK AUGUSTUS MUHLENBERG,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN ADAMS, *Vice-President of the United States,*
and President of the Senate.

APPROVED, March the third, 1791.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, *President of the United States.*

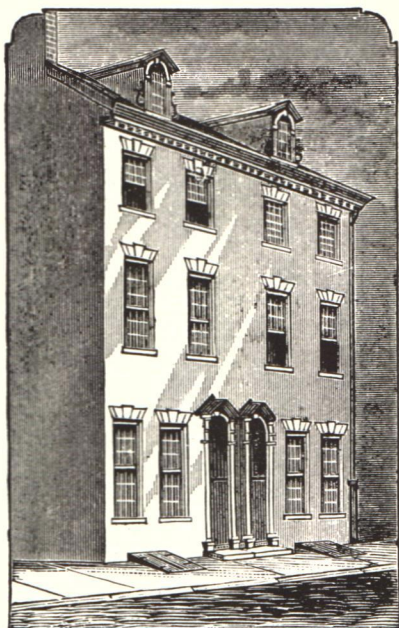
DEPOSITED among the ROLLS in the OFFICE of the SECRETARY of STATE.

W. L. Garrison Secretary of State.

western migration of settlers, the Mint reduced the number of stars to thirteen, representative of the original states. The reverse of the first gold coins featured an Eagle with wings outstretched, perched on a palm branch and holding a laurel wreath in its mouth.

The year 1796 saw production of a gold \$2½ Quarter Eagle, with an

obverse and reverse design slightly different from the \$5 and \$10 issues. According to Q. David Bowers, "Two major varieties of the 1796-dated quarter exist. Both feature on the obverse the portrait of Miss Liberty facing right, her hair under a turbanlike cap at the top and, below, streaming downward toward her neck. Above is the word LIBERTY, and at the



The first U.S. Mint, erected in 1792, was located between Market and Arch Streets on 7th Street in Philadelphia.

bottom of the obverse appears the date, 1796. The first design type has no stars on the obverse. The second design type has eight stars to the left and eight to the right. Other features of the with-stars dies are different, proving that the variety was not made simply by adding stars to the earlier die. . . The reverse of all issues 1796-1807 is of the heraldic eagle style, copied from the presidential seal, the first appearance of this general design on a coin." A representation of the red, white and blue Union shield appeared on the reverse design, in the body of the



The 1795 Eagle and Half Eagle, the first gold coins produced by the U.S. Mint, shared a common design by Chief Engraver Robert Scot.



The 1796 Quarter-Eagle exists in two varieties and was the first issue to incorporate the heraldic eagle in its reverse design.

eagle, with horizontal lines indicating blue, vertical lines indicating red and the absence of lines indicating white areas on the shield. The motto E PLURIBUS UNUM ("one out of many") also appeared on U.S. coinage for the first time.

Interestingly, no mark of value was stamped on the original U.S. gold pieces. The weight and fineness of the coins counted for more than the officially stated denomination, and the actual value of the coins fluctuated in proportion to the market value of the metal itself (as with modern bullion coins). Congress established the relative value of gold against silver at 15 to 1 in 1792, though this relationship proved inaccurate when compared to the international market value of almost 16 to 1. The exchange rate differential made it profitable to ship U.S. gold coins to Europe and melt them down, whereby a return of about 5 percent could be realized. Vast quantities of early U.S. coins found their way to Europe, thus gold coins were rarely seen in general circulation after the year 1800. The resulting action of Mint Director Elias Boudinot was to suspend coinage of \$10 Eagles in 1804, although 3,757 already had been struck that year.

Early U.S. coins were prepared on screw presses and individually weighed to verify that they were of the prescribed weight. Underweight coins were remelted, while overweight coins were merely adjusted by filing off the excess metal. It is not uncommon to find coins in collections today that, although apparently Uncirculated, show deep file scratches or "adjustment marks" on their rims. Likewise, since dies were difficult and costly to make, the die makers

frequently repunched new dates over old. These practices resulted in many mint error coins that are highly sought by collectors.

On June 28, 1834, the government revalued gold at 16 to 1 in relation to silver by reducing the purity of gold coins from 22kt to .900 fine. At this time the second Chief Engraver of the Mint, William Kneass, redesigned the Quarter and Half Eagles, eliminating the Phrygian cap on the obverse, replacing it with a headband containing the word LIBERTY, and eliminating the scroll and motto on the reverse. The regular coinage of \$10 Eagles for circulation was resumed in 1838, with a new design by Christian Gobrecht. The obverse featured the head of Miss Liberty facing left wearing a coronet inscribed LIBERTY, with thirteen stars circling the head.² The reverse featured a perched eagle surrounded by inscriptions.

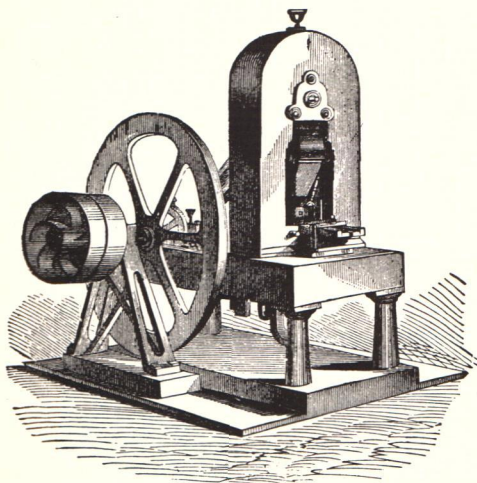
A new Mint building was completed in 1833, and in 1836 steamdriven presses were installed, enabling the government to greatly increase coinage production. The 1836 production of Quarter Eagles exceeded one-half million pieces, more than had been minted in the 40 preceeding years combined. Congress also established

branch mints in Charlotte (North Carolina), Dahlonega (Georgia) and New Orleans (Louisiana), all of which began operation in 1838. Dies for branch mint coinage were manufactured in Philadelphia and punched with a letter to indicate the city of the branch mint, such as C for Charlotte and D for Dahlonega. This system of mint identification has continued to the present time.

The onset of the California Gold Rush in 1848 had an unbelievable effect upon the world's precious metals



The increased value of silver in relation to gold prompted the government to authorize mintage of gold dollars in 1849 and \$20 Double Eagle gold pieces in 1850.



Steamdriven presses, first used by the U.S. Mint in 1836, enabled the government to vastly increase coinage production.

market. The price of silver in relation to gold increased to a point where it became worthwhile to melt silver coins for their bullion content. As silver coins rapidly disappeared, the government authorized the minting of gold dollars in 1849 and \$20 Double Eagle gold pieces in 1850. Both new coins were designed by James B. Longacre, one of the Mint's best-known engravers and the first to have his initials appear on a U.S. gold coin. The obverse of the Double Eagle featured the head of Liberty with a coronet, and the reverse showed an eagle with various embellishments. Longacre produced two distinct varieties of gold dollars in 1849, one with an open wreath on the reverse, the other with a closed wreath. The planchets for the dollars were relatively thick and only one-half inch in diameter. In 1854 thinner, larger diameter planchets were implemented, and Longacre engraved a new Liberty wearing a feathered Indian headdress for both the new dollar and the \$3

gold piece, which was the last regular issue denomination.

A unique piece of U.S. coinage, the \$3 gold piece was first issued at the request of postal officials who thought such a coin would be useful for postal transactions. The coin was not well received by the public, however, and production soon dropped to only a few thousand pieces per year. These low mintages from 1855 until the coin was discontinued in 1889 created many rarities now eagerly sought by collectors.

From 1854 through 1870, three additional U.S. branch mints were opened in San Francisco (April 1854), Denver (January 1862), and Carson City, Nevada (January 1870). The \$5 gold piece holds the distinction of being the only denomination of United States coin struck by all seven U.S. Mints.

The development of advanced minting technologies during the Industrial Revolution resulted in a substantial increase in the quantity of gold coins minted during that period. In 1861 the United States paper money system as we presently know it was established, giving rise to greater public confidence in currency backed by gold and issued by the U.S. Mint. Consequently, by the 1880s gold coins were seldom seen in circulation, and most of the large quantities minted were stored in the Treasury, bank vaults or shipped overseas for settlement of international transactions. According to government statistics, gold production continued at a record pace through the early 20th century, with 8,816,000 \$20 gold pieces minted in 1928, constituting a

face value of \$176,320,000.

Coinage of the \$2½ Quarter Eagle was discontinued in 1929 due to lack of use in commerce and general circulation. Soon afterward, the onset of the Great Depression caused widespread concern for the security of the U.S. monetary system, and in 1933 President Franklin D. Roosevelt passed legislation requiring citizens to return all gold coins, excluding numismatic pieces, to the Federal Reserve System. Still utilized by the government to liquidate its international trade debts, U.S. gold coins were hoarded by European banks who preferred them to U.S. currency, and Switzerland in particular became a repository of tremendous quantities of United States gold coins. Many of the "common date" pieces available for collection today have been acquired in recent years from these overseas banks.

Each of us has the opportunity to preserve a portion of the history of this great nation by collecting U.S. coins. Gold issues are especially interesting in their combination of rarity, high value and historic content, and will continue to capture the imagination of numismatists of all ages for years to come.

JOSEPH C. BATTAGLIA was actively engaged in the practice of law for more than 15 years prior to entering the coin business and was considered one of the country's foremost authorities on numismatic law. Presently serving as editor of the Gold and Silver Emporium newsletter, Mr. Battaglia is an active lecturer and has testified numerous times before legislative committees in connection with proposed legislation in numismatics.

NOTES

1. The Phrygian cap dates back 2,500 years to Phrygia in Asia Minor, where it was the custom to give a freed slave a cap as an emblem of his freedom.
2. This obverse design is known as the Coronet type.

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J.H. BOWIE

Maryland's Private Gold Coiner

by DONALD H. KAGIN, LM-724

Eight years ago I had the pleasure of meeting J.H. Bowie. Actually, he had died a century before, but that did not prevent me from savoring any less the joy of discovering someone who had seemingly disappeared forever into the shadows of history. Until that time, the only thing that I, or anyone for that matter, knew about Joseph Haskins Bowie was that his name graced a solitary California \$5 gold piece and a \$1 copper pattern, both of gold rush vintage and picturing a northeastern pine tree.

Because my doctoral thesis required my presence in Baltimore and Washington, D.C., and as I was courting a young woman in the area who would later become my wife, I traveled about that part of the country a great deal. One afternoon I happened to drive by a road sign that pointed the way to a well-known race track and the adjacent town that shared the

same name—Bowie! I remember thinking, "Surely this is just a coincidence"—or was it? Was J.H. Bowie from *Bowie*, Maryland? Could I have found the clue that numismatic researchers had been seeking for years? It was a long shot, but it paid off. A check of local records and related documents clearly indicated that some other famous Bowies—and the town



Adapted from *Private Gold Coins and Patterns of the United States*, by Donald H. Kagin (New York: Arco Publishing, Inc., 1981).

itself—had been giving us a sign for decades. The story of the elusive J.H. Bowie at last could be unraveled.

Bowie and Company

The Bowie name is familiar to many people—James Bowie of South Carolina introduced the popular Bowie knife, and Jim Bowie defended the Alamo in Texas. But it was the Bowies of Maryland, distant relatives of the aforementioned gentlemen and the senior branch of the family, who were destined to make coin dies and so render the Bowie name numismatically immortal.

In 1705 John Bowie emigrated from Scotland to Maryland and established the Bowie clan, which is still well-represented in the state of Maryland.¹ Lord Baltimore, then governor of Maryland, appointed Bowie tenant-in-chief and granted him several manors in the area located approximately midway between Washington and Annapolis, where the town of Bowie thrives today.²

Joseph Haskins Bowie, John's great-great-grandson, was born in Georgetown, Washington, D.C., on January 25, 1816. Young Haskins, as he was called, grew up on a plantation in neighboring Montgomery County, Maryland, where he and his friends played among the towering pines.³ In later years J.H. Bowie would incorporate a rendering of these pine trees on the coinage he issued in California.

Then, as now, a branch of the Bowie family lived in North Carolina, and when visiting them Haskins may have learned of the private mint in Rutherfordton, North Carolina, operated by the Bechtler family.⁴ At the time, Rutherford County, in which the town of Rutherfordton was located, was the principal source of the nation's gold supply. Bowie might have acquired one of Christopher Bechtler's coins as a model for his own pieces; the issues of the two men are very similar, each recording the weight and fineness in grains on their surface, a characteristic unique to Bechtler,

Bowie and Heinrich Schaeffer, a coiner formerly associated with Bechtler.

Bowie later left the plantation in Maryland to join his cousin Augustus, a surgeon who had opened a practice in San Francisco after completing a tour of duty with the United States Navy.⁵ Dr. Augustus Bowie established his office in a cottage at the corner of Dupont and Clay Street across from Moffat and Company, one of the most active private producers of gold coinage in California. Perhaps the success of this thriving mint encouraged Bowie to open his own minting operation.



J.H. Bowie might have patterned his \$5 gold piece after a coin struck by Christian Bechtler, a private gold coiner who established a mint in North Carolina.

On his trip to California, Bowie was accompanied by his cousins, Hyde Ray and Hamilton (Ham) Bowie. The three men departed March 12, 1849, on the frigate *Saint Andrews*, a voyage no doubt arranged by their influential cousin Augustus, and arrived in Panama, crossing the Isthmus on foot, by Indian dugout canoe and by donkey.⁶ Had Bowie the foresight to bring coining equipment, he would have had to leave it behind because of the great difficulty in transporting heavy loads across the Isthmus. However, he could have carried the comparatively lightweight dies that he eventually used to the strike his gold coins, dies that most certainly were engraved in the East.

Unable to obtain passage in Panama on any of the ships that regularly plied the California route, the Bowies were forced to accept the less comfortable accommodations offered by the Massachusetts whaler *Sylph* and arrived off the coast of Monterey on

May 21, 1849. Unfortunately, coastal fog delayed their entry into San Francisco Bay until June 25.⁷

Of the Bowie coinage itself, little is known. Because California had no iron with which to make a coin press, planchet rollers or similar heavy equipment, coining equipment was shipped around the Cape and later used to form and polish the planchets that were struck with Bowie dies. Perhaps a California coiner, such as Kohler and Company, purchased the Bowie dies and used its own equipment to make the gold coins.

Until 1982 only one specimen of the Bowie \$5 gold issue and one specimen of the copper \$1 piece were known to exist. The scarcity of the \$5 gold piece is understandable when one considers that the coin contained 8.6 grams of .879 fine gold, making the coin's intrinsic value greater than its face value. If this piece was typical of Bowie's output, most of his coins were undoubtedly melted down and recoined for profit.⁸⁻¹⁰

During my six years of research on U.S. private gold coins, I never envisioned purchasing any specimen issued by J.H. Bowie and Company. The single known gold specimen was

displayed for many years in the Bank of California Coinage Museum and later became part of the collection assembled by noted numismatist John J. Ford. The unique \$1 copper pattern was included in the famed John Work Garrett collection, housed for decades at Johns Hopkins University. However, in 1978 Johns Hopkins decided to sell the Garrett collection, and in March 1980 I was lucky to obtain the Bowie copper pattern. But the best was yet to come. In 1982, after several years of tracking down a rumored second Bowie and Company \$5 gold piece, I finally became the proud owner of that specimen. Thus, the dream that began eight years ago when I first met Mr. Bowie became a reality.

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NOTES

1. Robert R. Bowie was U.S. Assistant Secretary of State in the 1950s, and Clarence K. Bowie worked with the Town of Bowie legislation council and municipal government. Several other descendants are involved in education, medicine and law.

2. Walter W. Bowie, *The Bowies and Their Kindred* (Washington: Press of Cromwell Bros., 1899), p. 21.

3. *Ibid.*

4. Jesse, Ray and Ham all attended St. John's College in Annapolis during the gold rush excitement in Georgia and the Carolinas. They had classmates from these states and may have visited them in the fields around the Reid and Bechtler mints. Ironically, Ham's career was jeopardized by another private coiner, the notorious busybody James King. In his newspaper, *The Bulletin*, King accused Ham, then county treasurer, of embezzlement. Although indicted, Ham was not convicted, despite—or perhaps because—King was the jury foreman.

5. Augustus Bowie arrived in San Francisco on March 26, 1849, on the steamer *Massachusetts*. Letter from A.J. Bowie in the Walter Worthington Collection, Massachusetts Historical Society.

6. *Baltimore Sun*, March 13, 1849.

7. M.D. Fairchild, "Reminiscences of a Forty-Niner," *California Historical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 13 (1934), pp. 11-33.

8. *Baltimore Sun*, December 21, 1848.

9. A.J. Matchett, *Matchett's Baltimore Directory, 1849-50* (Baltimore: author, 1849), p. 487.

10. Although unsubstantiated, one source at the Bank of California Coinage Museum believes that J.H. Bowie contemplated coining \$600 in \$2½ and \$5 denominations.

NORTH GEORGIA GOLD

The Dahlonega Mint

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The gold rush to North Georgia in the 1830s was frenzied at best. With the passing of time, the spirit of that wild and frantic pursuit has been lost. If one keeps in mind, however, that the Georgia Gold Rush represented one of the greatest "land rushes" in American history, it becomes apparent that the whole affair was no small matter.

Georgia miners found gold in fair abundance, but the immediate question was what to do with it. Gold nuggets, flakes and dust were not easily negotiable, and trade became shaky at best. In 1830 a gunsmith by the name of Templeton Reid established a private mint in North Georgia and attempted to solve some of the miners' problems, but he eventually lost credibility and went "bust." German immigrant Christian Bechtler set up a mint in North Carolina, servicing some of the Georgia miners. Nevertheless, it became increasingly clear that a government minting facility was needed near the gold fields in Dahlonega, Georgia.

On March 3, 1835, Congress passed the Mint Act, providing for branch mints in Dahlonega, Charlotte (North Carolina) and New Orleans. Construction of the Dahlonega Mint began later that year, and by 1837 the building was completed. Heavy coining machinery was shipped by sea to Savannah and then hauled overland to Dahlonega—a major task in itself! The first deposit of bullion was made at the mint on February 15, 1838, and actual minting of coins began in April with the production of Half Eagles.

From the start, the operation of the Dahlonega Mint was dependent on two factors, neither of which were within the mint's control. First, the mint could only coin gold that was supplied by the miners, and second, it was not allowed to produce its own dies. The Philadelphia Mint never took kindly to the Dahlonega stepchild, and the dies it sent to the Georgia mint were usually cast-offs. Oftentimes, the Philadelphia Mint would send four to eight different dies, out of which the Dahlonega facility was hard pressed to find one that was workable. This slipshod method undoubtedly accounted for the weak strikes, die cracks and missing denticles apparent on so many specimens of Dahlonega gold. However, the mint employees made the best of what they had and minted a fascinating array of \$1, \$2½, \$3 and \$5 gold pieces.

The production of the \$5 gold piece was the mint's foremost concern, as it was the backbone of Southern economy and much in demand. Although not used on a day-to-day basis by the "common folk," the coins were essential in transactions between banks and businesses. In 1842 the mint struck \$5 pieces with both large and small dates and inadvertently

Adapted from "The Dahlonega Mint," *GNA Journal*, Volume 2, No. 7 (Georgia Numismatic Association, July 1982).



Constructed in 1837, the Dahlonega Mint served the coinage needs of the South until 1861.

created its first great rarity. The 1842 large date issue is considered the rarest of the Half Eagles and definitely one of the scarcest of all Dahlonega gold coins.

Throughout the remainder of the 1840s, the mint produced a substantial number of \$2½ and \$5 pieces, and in 1849 began production of \$1 gold coins. The \$1 pieces were minted for the next twelve years, but surprisingly the annual mintage amounted only to 5,700.

The mint produced a limited series of \$3 gold coins in 1854, minting a total of 1,120 pieces. Why this was a one-shot deal, no one really knows; but by looking at the drastic drop in mintage figures from 1853 to 1854, one might suspect that the mint decided the \$3 coin was not worth tying up the presses. The nationwide demand for \$3 gold pieces was small, evidently even more so in the South. The mint in Charlotte never bothered to produce a \$3 coin, and the New Orleans mint did so only once, also in 1854.

The 1850s saw a gradual decline in

the number of coins minted in Dahlonega. The demand probably was no less, but the mines were beginning to play out. The last \$2½ gold piece was struck in 1859, and the 1860 mintage of \$1 and \$5 pieces was a dismal 16,201 (about 1,350 coins per month).

With the election of Lincoln in 1860, war fever became rampant. Georgia seceded from the Union on January 19, 1861, and on April 8 the mint was taken over by the Confederate



The Dahlonega Mint began production in 1838. This \$5 gold piece was one of its first issues.

Comparative Output of Southern Branch Mints

MINT	DENOMINATION	DATE	MINTAGE	YEARS OF PRODUCTION
Dahlonega	\$1	1849-1861	73,929	13
Charlotte	\$1	1849-1861	109,134	8
New Orleans	\$1	1849-1861	1,004,000	6
Dahlonega	\$3	1854	1,120	1
Charlotte	\$3	—	—	—
New Orleans	\$3	1854	24,000	1
Dahlonega	\$2½	1839-1859	197,850	20
Charlotte	\$2½	1839-1859	202,484	19
New Orleans	\$2½	1839-1859	1,205,263	13
Dahlonega	\$5	1838-1861	1,106,108	24
Charlotte	\$5	1838-1861	878,819	23
New Orleans	\$5	1838-1861	754,295	12

government. The facility continued to mint an additional \$8,780 in gold coins, including 1861-D \$1 and \$5 pieces.¹ In April an additional \$6,161 was struck, followed by \$2,209 more

in May, when the mint shut down its presses.² For the period of January through May the mint reported a total of \$25,136 in coinage, well above the generally accepted figure of \$7,985 (1,597 \$5 pieces).³ Although this sum greatly differs from accepted mintage figures, it surely has little effect on the very real rarity of the 1861-D \$1 and \$5 gold pieces. The designs were the same as previous Dahlonega pieces, but the coins were truly Confederate issues, struck by the Confederacy for the Confederacy.

Contributing to the great rarity of the 1861 pieces is the fact that they were the last gold coins produced by the mint, and no doubt most were used immediately by the government for war supplies. Many were shipped to England in payment of overseas debts,



The 1839 Quarter Eagle issued by the Dahlonega Mint featured a 9/8 overdate.



The \$2½ gold series was produced from 1839 to 1859.



In 1840 the mintmark was moved to the reverse. High grade Dahlonega pieces such as the one pictured here are extremely rare.

while others were hoarded at the start of the conflict in April 1861. Regardless of the reasons for their disappearance, the coins have remained lost for more than 120 years.

Although the Dahlonega Mint continued to operate throughout the Civil War as an assay office, it was thought that new Confederate coins would still be forthcoming. According to a Dahlonega newspaper:

We learn that the Superintendent of the Branch mint of the Confederate States, in this town, has received orders to strike no more United States Coins, but to reserve the bullion until dies for the new coin of the Confederate States are received, which are now in the process of preparation.⁴

With the coming of war, the great mint passed away. The Dahlonega facility became part of North Georgia College, and was later destroyed by fire in 1871. The thick-walled foundations now support the college's administration building.

Too often we tend to view historic events in the far, far distant past. However, in talking with Marcus J. Brown of Atlanta on the subject of the Dahlonega Mint, he casually mentioned that "... Grandpa closed the Mint." Suddenly, 122 years seem as yesterday.



The 1854 \$1 gold piece is one of the scarcest Dahlonega series.



The Dahlonega Mint issued the \$3 gold piece only in 1854.

Dahlonega \$1 Gold Piece (1849-1861)

YEAR	MINTAGE	ESTIMATED KNOWN ⁵	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS
1849	21,588	87	Softly struck at hair. Designs usually doubled.
1850	8,382	61	Lowest average grade dollar (VF-31).
1851	9,882	63	One variety. R in DOLLAR flatly struck.
1852	6,360	47	Straight line of nose broken at forehead.
1853	6,583	61	Weakly struck, especially hair of Liberty.
1854	2,935	43	Unevenly struck. Generally shows severe clash marks.
1855	1,811	48	Most have extremely weak 8 in date. Severe clash marks. Very rare in all grades.
1856	1,460	32	Date weakly struck, little detail on Liberty's hair and headdress. U in UNITED faint. As rare as 1861 issue.
1857	3,533	51	Very poorly struck, especially at hair and headdress of Liberty and at top of reverse.

1858	3,477	73	Weakly struck, especially at hair and headdress of Liberty and 85 of date. On some coins 8 and 5 are missing.
1859	4,952	61	Most common type III dollar. Usually poorly struck, with 8 and 5 very weak.
1860	1,566	61	Usually weakly struck on low quality planchet. Particularly weak at U of UNITED.
1861	1,400	38	Struck by Confederacy. Most specimens weakly struck, U of UNITED weak or missing.

Dahlonega \$3 Gold Piece (1854)

YEAR	MINTAGE	ESTIMATED KNOWN	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS
1854	1,120	84	Only year issued. Poorly struck with very little detail in hair or headdress. Weak or missing denticles. Milling weak, especially at 12 o'clock on obverse. Rare in all grades.

Dahlonega Quarter Eagle (1839-1859)

YEAR	MINTAGE	ESTIMATED KNOWN	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS
1839	13,674	49	Overdate 9/8. Most softly struck at hair, curls and eagle's right wing. One year type only. Mintmark on obverse.
1840	3,532	30	Rare in all grades. Weakly struck. No known Uncirculated pieces.
1841	4,164	33	Softly struck. Rare in all grades, especially above EF. Akers considers it a very underrated coin.
1842	4,643	28	18 of date double cut. Very rare in all grades.
1843	36,209	74	Well struck. Most common of Dahlonega Quarter Eagles. All known examples have small date. Varieties known with large and small mintmark.
1844	17,332	67	Second most common Dahlonega Quarter Eagle. Weakly struck in center.
1845	19,460	64	Rare in grades above EF.
1846	19,303	63	846 of date faintly recut. Extremely rare in grades of AU or better.
1847	15,784	54	One variety shows 47 of date strongly recut. Well struck.
1848	13,771	69	Fairly well struck. Considering its low mintage, this coin has appeared quite often.
1849	10,945	51	Portions of denticles missing or indistinct.
1850	12,148	61	Indistinct or missing denticles. Softly struck at eagle's legs and arrows' feathers.
1851	11,264	55	Denticles weak, eagle and head of Liberty well struck.
1852	4,078	35	Denticles weak or missing, eagle and head of Liberty well struck. First in series of seven very rare, low mintage Dahlonega Quarter Eagles.

1853	3,178	39	Poorly struck at denticles, eagle and Liberty fairly well struck.
1854	1,760	39	Weakly struck at denticles, eagle's right leg flat.
1855	1,123	27	Weakly struck at denticles. Judging by auction appearances, this is one of the rarest Dahlonge Quarter Eagles.
1856	874	34	Very poorly struck with flat stars, weak denticles, and little or no detail on head of Liberty and neck and right leg of eagle. Lowest mintage and rarest of Dahlonge Quarter Eagles. No explanation for small mintage.
1857	2,364	41	Sharply struck, nearly complete denticles.
1858	none minted		
1859	2,244	48	More sharply struck than other Dahlonge Quarter Eagles. Last \$2½ piece produced by mint.
TOTAL	197,850	961	Average grade at auction: VF-34.

Dahlonge Half Eagle (1838-1861)

YEAR	MINTAGE	ESTIMATED KNOWN	GENERAL OBSERVATIONS
1838	20,583	111	First coin produced by mint. One year type, Classic Head. D mintmark on obverse.
1839	18,939	84	One year type only, Coronet Head. D mintmark on obverse.
1840	22,896	76	Well struck.
1841	29,392	70	Mintmark in two different sizes. Neither variety is particularly rare.
1842	59,608	75	Small date, small letters on reverse.
		35	Large date. Akers feels this is rarest Dahlonge Half Eagle.
1843	98,452	116	Large letters on reverse. Very common.
1844	88,982	107	Fairly common, scarcer in grades above EF.
1845	90,629	108	Fairly common, scarcer in higher grades.
1846	80,294	110	One variety has double D mintmark. First D punched too high, second D repunched lower. Although not a rare variety, it is generally more popular.
1847	64,405	88	One variety shows short, hyphen-like line just left of base of 4. Die crack runs through FIVE D.
1848	47,465	68	Rare in all grades, especially above EF.
1849	39,036	72	Several varieties of this date exist.
1850	43,950	61	Mintmark weak or indistinguishable, even on EF specimens.
1851	62,710	95	Weakly struck at hair curls and parts of eagle.
1852	91,452	123	Weakly struck at borders and hair curls around Liberty's face. Some have dull surfaces because of contact with salt water.
1853	89,678	124	Softly struck at hair curls and parts of eagle. Weak denticles. "Salt water" coins are known.

1854	56,413	111	Weakly struck at borders, hair curls and parts of eagle. One variety has extremely weak mintmark.
1855	22,432	77	Rare in all grades. Lowest mintage since 1839. "Salt water" coins are known.
1856	19,786	68	Well struck, beveled rims.
1857	17,046	73	Softly struck at hair curls around face and on parts of eagle.
1858	15,362	71	Softly struck at hair curls. Stars appear flat. Known with large and small mintmarks. Very rare in any grade.
1859	10,366	88	Weakly struck at hair curls and parts of eagle. Second lowest mintage Dahlonga Half Eagle. Despite numerous auction appearances, piece is very rare.
1860	14,635	79	Softly struck at Liberty's head and eagle's neck and legs.
1861	1,597	50	Rarest Dahlonga Half Eagle. Mint was seized by Confederates on April 8. Piece was minted by Confederate government.
TOTAL	1,106,108	2,140	Average grade at auction: VF-34

NOTES

1. Ralph W. Donnelly, "Despite Civil War, Dahlonga Mint Operates," *Coin World* (August 5, 1981), p. 72.

2. *Ibid.* 3. *Ibid.* 4. *Ibid.*

5. The figures listed under "Estimated Known" are taken from *United States Gold Coins, An Analysis of Auction Records*, Volumes I through IV, by David W. Akers. He used these numbers to show the number of times a particular coin appeared at auction; it was not his intention to use them as estimates. I have chosen these figures strictly as a starting point for study, argument or comparison. Although these figures may represent duplicate specimens, one still must consider lower-grade Dahlonga pieces that have never appeared at auction. I would be most interested to hear other collectors views about these figures.

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DR. JOHN D. PARSONS

A Colorado Pioneer

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When the quest for gold spread to the Colorado Rockies in 1859, one pioneer who made the trek west was destined to claim a place in numismatic history—Dr. John Parsons. A multi-talented adventurer, Parsons was a rancher, businessman, administrator and doctor as well as an assayer and minter. Of his early life little is known, except that he was trained as a physician somewhere in the East and resided in Illinois during the 1850s. However, records document his sojourn in Colorado, rendering the story of a man whose endeavors had an extensive impact on the area.

The eldest of eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Mathia Parsons, February 18, 1818, John grew up on a dairy farm in Cain Township, Fountain County, Indiana, deciding early in life to become a doctor. After finishing his medical education, he moved to the prosperous town of Quincy, Illinois, residing at the corner of Sixth and Vermont (as noted in the 1848 city directory). Once established as a physician with a good practice, John's thoughts turned to love, and on September 19, 1849, he married Daphne Dunster of Missouri. Parsons fathered three sons while living in Quincy, two of whom, John E. and Charles W., died as infants in 1850 and 1853, respectively. During his stay, Dr. Parsons also acquired a knowledge of assaying and smelting ore, which would prove to be an important factor later in his life.

The fur trade brought many trappers into the Colorado Territory in the 1830s and 40s. At that time the medium of exchange was beaver pelts, also known as "hairy bank notes." However, with the decline of the fur trade in America, the territory saw little activity until the discovery of gold in 1859.

Intrigued by talk of the western frontier and news of the gold rush,

Parsons set forth with his wife and son Warran and headed for Colorado Territory. They arrived in Denver City about July 23, 1858, and hearing much talk about the different mining districts, chose the newly-opened, wide valley of the upper Arkansas River. This beautiful area had not yet been



Dr. John D. Parsons, 1818-1881.

disturbed by the White Man; the lush mountains were covered with green timber, and plenty of wild game roamed the area. This was the hunting ground of the Indians.

In April 1859 a large deposit of gold was discovered by S. Slater, causing much excitement not only in that area, but also east to Denver and other mining districts. The news caused the usual stampede, and the new district became known as "California Gulch" because many of the argonauts came from the played-out California fields. From this area sprung a new town called Oro City, now Leadville, Colorado. It was here that John and Daphne settled and were blessed by the birth of a daughter, Helena, on May 17, 1861.

Oro City was a boom town in every sense of the word. People were everywhere, sleeping on the ground, in and under wagons and in out-houses. Gambling and prostitution were in full swing until the Miner's Law was effected in an effort to establish some order in the town. The population grew rapidly and in 1861 was estimated to be 10,000. As mining increased, gold dust became the main medium of exchange. However, because of inaccurate measure, this system was not wholly satisfactory. The dust ranged in price from \$12 to \$20 per ounce and was often unscrupulously enhanced by the addition of foreign material such as brass filings. Measurement by the "pinch," the amount of gold dust that



The head of California Gulch, 1870—the approximate location of Oro City, where Parsons' smelter and mint existed. Nothing remains today except slag of processed ore, sagebrush and a few scraps of junk from yesteryear.

could be picked up between thumb and forefinger, was accepted as 25-cents worth, but the man with large fingers obviously came out ahead.

Combining the smelting and assaying skills he had learned in the East, Parsons formed a company and began producing gold bars and ingots, as well as experimenting with crude refining techniques. The lack of circulating paper currency led him to produce a \$20 ingot of proper weight and fineness at dwt. 256/16/18½ kt (gold was valued at \$12 per ounce in 1860). Although the ingots reportedly circulated with good acceptance, problems with money and gold dust continued and resulted in the need for minted coinage comparable to that issued in California, Utah and Oregon following the rush of 1849.

As the gold placers around Oro City began to play out, Parsons expanded operations to the east side of the Continental Divide at Buckskin Joe and in the Tarryall/Hamilton districts, where he began minting \$2½ and \$5 gold pieces in addition to working placer and gold claims. Many of his activities are listed in the claims and record books of Buckskin Joe and Tarryall, including a claim to water rights on Fairchild Creek for milling purposes, with 225 feet on the same ground for a mill and yard, filed on September 25, 1861. As no die sinkers resided in Colorado at the time, Parsons had the dies for his coins prepared in the East, probably in Illinois. The obverse design originated from the popular type of "quartz mill stamp," which was used in the area to pulverize ore, while the reverse resembles the style of U.S. coinage of the period and bears the inscription "Pikes Peak Gold." From July to December 1861, Parsons struck a very limited number of coins, presumably from gold and silver taken from the famous "Philips Lode" near Buckskin Joe. As little as \$500 worth of gold was used to coin all the Quarter Eagle pieces issued by Parsons.

The *Miners Record* of September 7, 1861, observes, "We were shown one



Parsons & Co. \$20 gold ingot, 1860.

day this week by J.B. Stansell, Esquire, some new coins of denominations of 2½ which were coined by Dr. J. Parsons of Terryal (sic) mines. The specimen we saw was the first that had been coined and although they were not as even and perfect in form as usual in gold coins, they were fair examples of Pikes Peak coin. We understand Dr. Parsons' designs on removing his coining machinery to Buckskin Joe, where he will establish a mint for the coinage of gold of different denominations." The mint must have been a simple operation consisting of assay and milling equipment, and a screw-type punch and press, which easily could be transported by wagon. According to *Kimmell's Analysis of Pioneer Gold*, only six Quarter Eagle pieces (two in the U.S. collection and four in the hands of private collectors) and four Half Eagles are known to exist.

Because the government outlawed private mints and established a branch of the U.S. Mint in Denver in April 1862, Parsons relocated about four miles south of Denver on the Platte River, where he began dairy and cattle ranching and became active in the Stock Growers Association and Agricultural Society. He directed the



Artist's rendering of Tarryall City, Colorado Territory, 1860.

preparation of the Associations' constitution and by-laws in November 1867, and, after the resignation of all three board officers who had been accused of cattle rustling, was elected president in April 1868, serving two terms.

After starting the Denver Woolen Mills in 1870, he co-founded the Denver Aqueduct Company, which was designed to break the monopoly held by the Platte Water Company by tapping the Platte River at Brown's Bridge for irrigation. Never completed, the project was blocked by political manipulation, and Parsons lost his investment in May 1873. Subsequently, he resumed medical practice, advertising his Spring Bank House, "a retreat for invalids with room and board and medical advice," in the *Rocky Mountain News*.

Perhaps Parsons' most interesting venture was his journey into the wilderness area of Gunnison-Lake County. Composed of Thomas Crorder, Lewis Wait, Sylvester Richardson and Richard Cook, the first "Parsons' Expedition"

of 1872 traveled the old Washington Gulch Pass to Red Mountain and Twin Lakes and returned via Buckskin Joe and Fairplay, bringing back such encouraging news of agricultural and mining prospects that a second sortie was planned to thoroughly examine the Gunnison area. Consisting of thirty men, eight wagons and a large pack train, the second party passed through South Park and Poncho and Cochetopa Passes, arriving at the Indian Agency at Los Pinos, where passage was forbidden by the Ute Indians. However, a council held with Chief Ouray resolved the matter and Parsons proceeded to the junction of Tomichi Creek and the Gunnison River, where, after confirming a position east of the 107th meridian, a town was founded—Gunnison, Colorado. Pushing on to the head of Rock Creek, the group erected a smelter near the town of Schofield, and after several weeks fissures and veins of enormous size and promise were uncovered in the Elk Mountains. The group returned to spend the

winter in Denver, at which time the find was reported to interested parties in Denver, Chicago and Quincy. Although Parsons managed to raise funds and acquire machinery, a business panic squelched his hopes.

Parsons organized a final expedition to Lake County in the summer of 1873. According to the *Rocky Mountain News*, "Parsons . . . who has been absent in the South Park and immediate vicinity for some weeks past, has just returned to his home. The doctor has been prospecting over in Lake County, and brings home some wonderful stories of silver discoveries made in the vicinity of the Mount of the Holy Cross, southwest of Mts. Lincoln and Bross. He brings some of the ore with him, which are very good specimens of rich deposits. He reports to us that there are miles and miles of surface indications, as wide in many places as fifty feet, which yield up to \$200 per ton silver, and some much higher than that. The doctor is confident that the loads will excel those of the Emma and other leading mines of Utah and other



1861 gold Half Eagle.

Parsons Mintage

DATE	DENOMINATION	WEIGHT/SIZE
1861	Quarter Eagle	73.5g/18mm
1861	Half Eagle	128.3g/21.6mm
1860	\$20 Ingot	dwt. 25 6/10 20 × 30 × 2mm

Patterns and Overstruck Coins

DENOMINATION	NUMBER KNOWN
\$2½ struck over half dime	1
\$2½ struck over dime	1
\$2½ struck over 1850-O half dollar	1
\$2½ struck on copper	2
\$2½ struck on brass	1
\$5 struck on thin bronze	1
\$5 struck on thick bronze	2
\$20 Ingot	2

Note: The only Parsons piece dated is 1860. The \$20 ingot exists in modern replicas on gold-plated base metal and white metal dated 1860 or 1861. Dates and specifications according to *Kimmell's Analysis of Pioneer Gold*.

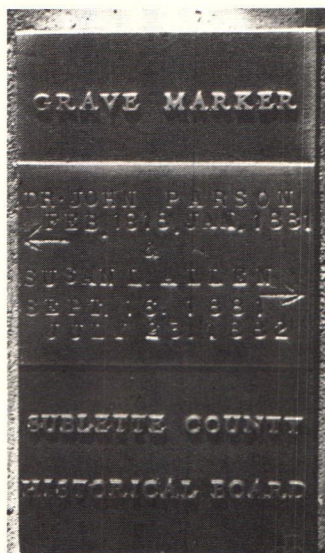


Northwest view across Parsons' Ranch toward the Green River. Parsons built a cabin and outbuildings for use as barns and aid stations for pioneers using the trail. A wagon road from the Parsons' place up Sears Canyon was believed by some pioneers to be the steepest, roughest wagon road in the U.S.A.

sections of the country." However, Parsons was unable to pursue his new discovery because of his financial losses in the Elk Mountains and Denver water project.

Disenchanted, Parsons and his family moved west to Brown's Park, Utah Territory, in 1873, establishing a ranch at Sears Creek on the Green River and a ferry crossing that is still called Parsons' Ford. As the only doctor for many miles, Parsons had much to offer travelers, pioneers and the neighboring Indians. In May 1874 he delivered a baby girl, Anne Basset, who became the queen of the cattle rustlers in Brown's Park. On August 11, 1879, his daughter Helena's marriage was the first to occur in Brown's Park when she wed Lewis Allen.

The Ferron Survey of 1878 records a mill in the immediate area and an operation called Parsons' Smelter, indicating the doctor was still involved



This marker notes the final resting place of John Parsons at his ranch in Brown's Park, Utah.



The Parsons' homestead as it appeared before burning in 1978. Popular rumor has it that Parsons' cabin was used by outlaw gangs as a base of operations in Brown's Park (not far from Hole-in-the-Wall) after it was abandoned, including such colorful characters as Butch Cassidy, Tom Horn and Matt Warner.

in mining. The Parsons and Allen families lived together in Brown's Park, except for a short stay in Ashley, Utah (probably the result of the Meeker Massacre, which occurred southeast of Brown's Park), until well after Dr. Parsons' death on January 12, 1881. Of his demise, the *Denver Daily Times* notes "in the early days he had a die for coining gold, making, we believe, two-and-a-half pieces. He lived about three of four miles down the Platte until three or four years ago, and practiced medicine more or less. He lost his property and broke up entirely after the failure of his ditch scheme, and went to Utah to retrieve his bad luck."

He was buried near his cabin in a quiet meadow. Abandoned in 1884, Dr. Parsons' ranch is today a Utah historical site, a symbol of one man's odyssey and the pioneering spirit that forged the American West.

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COINS AND COLLECTORS

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The Guide Book Revisited

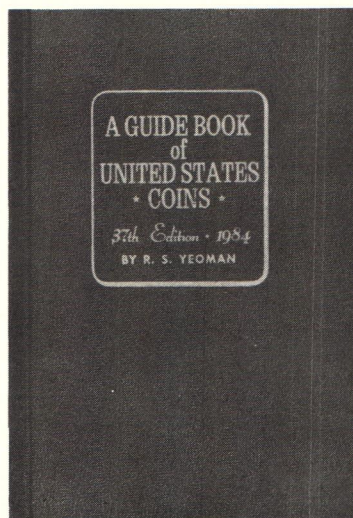
The new 1984 *Guide Book of United States Coins* has been "in circulation" for a few months now. The 37th edition of the familiar red-cover volume is the latest in a long series of books that have promoted the hobby and have provided useful information to collectors as well.

I first became acquainted with this handy reference back in 1953. At the time it constituted my entire library, and I hardly dreamed it could be improved upon. However, 30 years later, the book contains much more than it did back then. In recent times the *Guide Book* has featured essays about popular numismatic topics, from commemoratives and mint errors to investments. The 1984 issue includes reminiscences by Richard S. Yeoman, who introduced the reference in 1946. Since that time, collecting issues of the *Guide Book* has become a specialty in its own right. A copy of the first edition, published in 1947, once sold for as high as \$600, but now the price has settled down to the \$200 range.

As with coins, condition plays an important part in determining the price of *Guide Book* editions. Relating some of the experiences he has had with purchasers of various editions, Dick Yeoman recalled occasions when imperfect copies with upside-down covers or missing pages were brought to his attention. Ever eager to please, he assured the owners that Whitman, the publisher, would gladly exchange the defective volumes. But Dick discovered that an exchange was the last thing the owners wanted, for the book was considered to be the equivalent of a valuable "mint error." Rather than being an embarrassment, *Guide Book* errors are sought-after gems!

I have had a close association with the volume over the years, my firm having supplied much information and

numerous photographs to the publisher. However, this association has had its humorous moments—after all, having a good time is certainly part of the fun of numismatics. ANACS Director Kenneth Bressett for many years was employed by Whitman Publishing in Racine, Wisconsin, and we often corresponded with one another. In jest I once suggested to him that Whitman could profit by selling advertising space to



dealers, and shortly thereafter I received a specially-bound *Guide Book* with advertisements for my firm on the inside cover! On another occasion, I asked Ken if all copies of the volume, by then familiarly known as the "Red Book," were indeed all red in color. To prove that every rule has its exception, I was sent an edition bound in gray!

Although many collectors are accustomed to using the *Guide Book* to quickly determine the approximate value and mintage of popular coins, much can be gained by those who take

the time to actually study the book. No other numismatic reference crams so much information into such a compact volume. I have used the *Guide Book* as the main textbook for my Summer Seminar class, "All About Coins," because it is a good jumping-off point for those having specialized interests in different areas. Take, for example, the study of die varieties. Many students were not aware that early coins, though ostensibly the same, can differ widely in minute die characteristics.

In this regard, the trio of 1794 cents appearing at the top of page 68 in the *Guide Book* offers an interesting exercise. At first glance, the obverse of each cent appears to be identical: each bears the date 1794, the word LIBERTY, and Miss Liberty with a pole and cap behind her. A study of the piece in the center reveals that Miss Liberty's features are beautifully engraved with finely-detailed hair. On the other hand, the portrait at the left tends to be a bit "lumpy," and the hair details are not as sharp. Miss Liberty at the right seems to be almost manly in her appearance, perhaps due to the solid jaw, coarse hair and unsmiling features. A study of the liberty cap will also reveal some differences. The central and left coins display the cap well within the border, while the coin at the right crowds the cap into the border. The left coin also shows traces of the pole behind Miss Liberty's hair.

Not all is known in numismatics, and perhaps this is as it should be, for unquestionably it contributes to the fascination of collecting. The *Guide Book* description of the New Yorke token (page 24) notes:

Little is known about the origin of this token. The style of design and execution seem to be Dutch, and it is probable that the dies were prepared in Holland. There is no date on the piece, which evidently belongs to the period between 1664, when the name New Yorke was first adopted, and 1710, after which it was rarely spelled that way.

Who engraved the dies? In what

country was it issued and when was it produced? All that is really known about the coin is its appearance; its history is an enigma.

Numismatic knowledge is an evolving thing. Sometimes old notions are discarded in favor of new ones, an example of which is the 1869/8 overdate Indian cent. Once thought to be a firm part of the series, the 1869/8 overdate now seems to be in question. The latest edition of the *Guide Book* notes that "the 9 is doubled on some varieties of the 1869; on others it appears to be over an 8, although it is probably only doubled." In the opinion of the *Guide Book* editor, the 1869/8 Indian cent is not an overdate but merely the result of recutting.

One of the most concise and informative histories of American coinage can be found in the *Guide Book*, pages 5 through 12. Every year or so I read it, just to refresh my memory concerning the development of the country's monetary system. Did you know, for example, that tobacco served as a medium of exchange in Virginia or that issues of Continental paper money provided payment in Spanish silver dollars?

Do you know the answer to the following question? Suppose you have a handful of silver coins dated 1853—a three-cent piece, a half dime, a dime and a quarter. Are they all made of the same metallic alloy? Offhand, I probably would answer "yes," but the *Guide Book* tells us that the silver three-cent piece is very unusual, containing seven and one-half parts silver to two and one-half parts copper, as opposed to the standard ratio of nine to one. Interestingly, this composition was found only in three-cent pieces issued between 1851 and 1853; coins issued in 1854 and later featured the standard ratio.

The next time you have an hour or two to spare, why not reacquaint yourself with this helpful reference? As a strong foundation of the numismatic hobby, it deserves close reading. Here's wishing the *Guide Book of United States Coins* many more years of success!

THE ROMAN COIN PROJECT

DAVID R. CERVIN

Originated and administered by David R. Cervin, the Roman Coin Project is a program specifically designed for junior members of the ANA, enabling them to earn Roman and Byzantine coins for their activities in numismatics. A total of eight ancient coins can be earned—four Roman coins in the basic program and four Byzantine coins in the the advanced. Further information and a Roman Coin Request Form can be obtained by writing to David R. Cervin, 6201 Adirondack, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Have you ever attended a coin show? Many juniors probably have not. Your first show is the culmination of all your numismatic work and achievements; however, the magnitude of some shows is so gargantuan that personal accomplishments seem utterly, but pleasantly, miniscule.

Many of you might say, "I live in a small town, and the nearest city that has a coin show is over a hundred miles away. How can I possibly get to a show?" Well, perhaps you could talk your family into making an all-day excursion to the big city. They might enjoy their first experience at a coin show, and surely they could combine other business and pleasures on the same trip.

What can you expect to find at a coin show? First you must register, and even that can be fun. Seated near the registration desk are a half dozen people passing out announcements and numismatic periodicals, and selling items related to the hobby. As you enter the bourse and exhibit area, you are met with an overwhelming number of coin dealers displaying their wares—anywhere from 20 bourse tables for a small club to about 300 for the annual ANA convention. Each booth is manned by two to four people, and with such a tremendous variety of coins to choose from, you are certain to satisfy your numismatic needs.

As you wander through this wonderland of coins you suddenly encounter the exhibit area, which contains beautifully displayed numismatic items. Surprisingly, many exhibits represent first or early attempts. A separate exhibit class is usually set aside for juniors; locate the exhibit chairperson and find out how you might plan an exhibit from

your numismatic collection.

A coin show, however, is more than just bourse and exhibits. Meetings of numerous specialized groups are scheduled throughout the show, and everyone is invited. Thus, at a national or regional convention, you can expect to meet people who collect tokens and medals, religious numismatics, love tokens, wooden money, early paper money, half cents and large cents, Liberty Seated quarters, ancient and medieval coins, checks, transportation tokens and every phase of numismatics you can imagine.

The highlight of any coin show is the educational forum, in which one to three topics are presented by specialists. No one can attend one of these programs without gaining both knowledge and enjoyment. Henry Ford once said, "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep the mind young."



Juniors participate in a lively YN Educational Forum held during the ANA Convention in Boston last year.

At the Texas Numismatic Association's annual convention held recently in Corpus Christi, it was my pleasure to discuss "Early Christian Symbolism on Coins" at the forum. This topic should be of special interest to members of the Roman Coin Project because they can earn not one, not two but three Roman coins from the fourth century featuring early Christian symbolism, a subject that is thoroughly investigated by juniors participating in the RCP.

Concluding my talk, I encountered an unexpected bonus. A bright young junior thanked me for the slide-illustrated lecture, and introduced himself as Todd Shewmaker. Coinci-

dentally, he and I had been "pen-pals" for some time but had never met. An active member of the RCP, Todd has earned five Roman and Byzantine coins and has been appointed youth chairman of the Texas Numismatic Association. His responsibilities include writing a monthly column for the TNA's regular publication.

I encourage all juniors to attend a coin show, for it may very well be the crowning achievement of their young numismatic careers. But let us not forget another worthwhile endeavor—the Roman Coin Project, an experience that not only provides valuable training, but also rewards participants with up to ten ancient coins.

NUMISMATIC VIGNETTES

GLENN B. SMEDLEY

■ Many collectors and noncollectors have heard of Benjamin Franklin's contention that our national bird should be the turkey rather than the bald eagle. During the formation of the Society of the Cincinnati, which chose the bald eagle as the principal device of its emblem, Franklin wrote to his daughter from Passy, France, January 26, 1784, regarding the exclusive Society. He had the following to say about the eagle. "Others object to the *bald eagle* as looking too much like a *dindon*, or turkey. For my own part, I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country: he is a bird of bad moral character; he does not get his living honestly; you may have seen him perched on some dead tree, where, too lazy to fish for himself, he watches the labor of the fishing-hawk; and, when that diligent bird has at length taken a fish, and is bearing it to his nest for the support of his mate and young ones, the bald eagle pursues him and takes it from him. With all this injustice he is never in good case; but, like those among men who live by sharping and robbing, he is generally poor, and often very lousy. Besides, he is a rank coward; the little king-bird, not bigger than a sparrow, at-

tacks him boldly and drives him out of the district. He is therefore by no means a proper emblem for the brave and honest Cincinnati of America, who have driven the *king-birds* from our country; though exactly fit for that order of knights which the French call *Chevaliers d'Industrie*.

"I am, on this account, not displeased that the figure is not known as a bald eagle, but looks more like a turkey. For in truth, the turkey is in comparison a much more respectable bird, and withal a true original native of America. Eagles have been found in all countries, but the turkey was peculiar to ours, the first of the species seen in Europe being brought to France by the Jesuits from Canada, and served up at the wedding table of Charles the Ninth. He is, besides (though a little vain and silly, it is true, but not the worst emblem for that), a bird of courage, and would not hesitate to attack a grenadier of the British Guards, who should presume to invade the farm-yard with a *red coat* on."

So there you have it: one's man's opinion and his supportive reasoning. In spite of the persuasion of one of America's greatest intellectuals, the bald eagle rules the roost of United States sym-

bolism. (For a comprehensive article about the Society of the Cincinnati, see *The Numismatist*, December 1933.)

■ After seeing my listing of the Brenner works in *The Numismatist* recently, a friend speculated that it was published with the hope of increasing the prices I can get for my own set. Not so! On the contrary, it probably will cost me more than heretofore to acquire pieces now missing in my collection.

■ In the preface to *Early American Cents 1793-1814*, the author, Dr. W.H. Sheldon, states: "I have written this book because ever since childhood I have wanted to read it and it wasn't there." Now you can't be much more concise than that!

■ Did you see "Infographics 1983," information supplied by Saloman Bros. on the best investments of the past decade? The data was in compounded annual rates of return, 1972-82. Listed at nearly 30 percent, oil led the 13 categories, and was followed by U.S. coins at 22.5 percent and U.S. stamps at approximately 22 percent. Gold was fifth at 18.6 percent and silver ranked eighth at 13.6 percent. A few people will understand my interest in seeing Chinese ceramics at a respectable 15.3 percent.

■ ANA records show that Miss Emery Mae Holden became member no. 1762 on April 15, 1914. Mrs. R. Henry Norweb (same lady, different name) received her 50-year membership medal at the hand of then President P.K. Anderson during the 1964 convention in Cleveland, and has completed her 69th year on April 15 last.

Runner-up in the longevity department is no. 1957, Norman Schultz, who reached 65 years last December 1. Congratulations and very best wishes to these and our 57 other Golden Members.

■ Rise up, ye sports fans and send your best adjectival esteem to the long-

suffering manager of the New York Yankees (that's Billy Martin, at least as these lines are written). Not being qualified to judge Billy's managerial ability, I can admire his restraint in not calling the flagrant violation of the pine tar rule until it (seemingly) lost a game for his Yankees. Even though the ploy backfired, it was good for a lot of copy on the sports page and did help to bolster Billy's good name.

■ Familiar names and faces—unexpectedly. The Montana Historical Society's *Magazine of Western History* (Vol. 33, No. 2) contains an article recounting labor-management problems in the Montana/Michigan copper mines. One of the leading mining companies at the time was the Calumet and Hecla Consolidated Copper Company, dating from 1866. That was the name. The face was a picture of Alexander Agassiz, a native of Switzerland who came to America in 1849, graduated from Harvard in 1855 and subsequently became involved in the Calumet and Hecla Company through his brother-in-law, Quincy Shaw of Boston. Agassiz became a stockholder and eventually president of the company, acquiring a fortune, of which he gave more than a million dollars to Harvard.

In 1916 Victor D. Brenner produced an employee service award medal for Calumet and Hecla that depicted the conjoined busts of Shaw and Agassiz on one side. The copy in my collection was awarded to one Berger Berner in 1918 for 30 years service.

■ Depicted on two commemorative half dollars but not the exclusive subject of any, Robert E. Lee was a professional soldier remembered almost solely as the commander of the Confederate army during the Civil War. However, he considered his accomplishments as president of Washington College for five years between the War's end and his death as the most noteworthy of his life. His service to the school was recognized when, after his death, it was renamed Washington and Lee University.

GREAT BRITAIN

Pound Coin Released in Sterling Silver

The availability of a .925 sterling silver Proof edition of Great Britain's new one-pound coin has been announced by the British Royal Mint. Measuring 22.5mm in diameter and weighing 9.5 grams, the coin has a limited striking of 50,000.

The obverse bears the Arnold Machin portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and the reverse features Eric Sewell's engraving of the royal coat-of-arms. The inscription DECUS ET TUTAMEN (an ornament and a safeguard) appears on the coin's milled edge, along with the "three cross" mintmark of the Llantrisant Mint, symbolizing the Welsh name Llan-tri-sant (Parish of the Three Saints). According to the minter, the use of an inscription on a milled edge is unprecedented in British coinage.

Four reverse design variants of the coin have also been announced, representing Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and England. Designed by silversmith Leslie Durbin, all four coins will share the common obverse portraying Queen Elizabeth, but each will bear its own reverse and edge inscription. The Scottish issue, scheduled for 1984, depicts an uprooted thistle set in a representation of the royal diadem and bears the edge inscription NEMO ME IMPUNE LACESSIT (no one provokes me with impunity). Continuing the theme, the design for Wales features an uprooted leek, similarly set, and the Welsh inscription PLEIDIOL WYF I'M GWALD (true am I to my country). The design for Northern Ireland carries an



uprooted flax plant, while that for England bears an oak tree; both show the edge inscription DECUS ET TUTAMEN.

Orders and inquiries regarding Great Britain's new one-pound coins should be directed to the British Royal Mint, c/o Barclay's Bank, P.O. Box 2570, New York, NY 10163.

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

Proof Silver Coin Issued

The government of the Turks and Caicos Islands has struck a 10-crown Proof silver coin as part of UNICEF'S International Year of the Child Program. The obverse of the coin features a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II and the date 1982. The inscription around the circumference reads ELIZABETH II/TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS.

A boy listening to a conch shell is the

main design element of the reverse. Palms and water, indicative of the islands' environment, are depicted in the background. The symbols of UNICEF and IYC appear at the base of the design. Centered below the boy is the denomination; the inscription on the reverse reads INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD.

Designed by Michael Rizzello of England and struck by Valcambi of Switzer-

land, the coin measures 38.61mm in diameter and is struck from .925 fine silver. Information about the new Proof silver 10-crown coin of the Turks and Caicos Islands can be obtained from The Honorable Francis L. Kellogg, Director-General, UNICEF-IYC Coin Program, Suite 410, 866 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017.



AUSTRALIA

Koala Graces Gold Issue

The popular koala, a nocturnal marsupial and symbol of Australia, is depicted on a \$200 gold coin recently issued. Designed by Stuart Devlin, the reverse shows the koala in its natural habitat among the oily leaves of the eucalyptus tree, while the obverse carries the well-known Machin portrait of Queen Elizabeth II. Available in both Proof and Brilliant Uncirculated condition, the koala coin measures 24mm in diameter and contains 10 grams of 22kt gold. Each Proof coin bears a delicately frosted image on a mirror-like background struck from highly-polished dies on specially prepared blanks. The Proof coin is priced at \$310 and the Brilliant Uncirculated at \$210. Orders may be placed with the Royal Australian Mint, 115 Main Rd., Montville, NJ 07045.



SAMOA

Coinage Honors Pacific Games

The government of Western Samoa has commissioned the Singapore Mint to strike commemoratives observing the 7th South Pacific Games held September 5-16 in Apia, Samoa. The coins—a WS\$100 gold Proof and a WS\$10 silver Proof—show the coat-of-arms of Samoa on the obverse and a runner in stride, with the inscription 7TH SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES 1983, on the reverse.

Selling for US\$200, the gold Proof measures 28.5mm in diameter, contains 7.5 grams of 22kt gold and features a frosted mirror-finish. Mintage is limited to 1,000, and the piece is encapsulated and presented in a velvet case suitably inscribed.

The .925 sterling silver, frosted Proof measures 38.7mm in diameter and is priced at US\$40. The issue is packaged in the same manner as the gold Proof, with a mintage of 3,000. Orders or requests for information should be directed to the Agency of Western Samoa Treasury, GPO Box 954, Adelaide, Australia 5001.



EGYPT

Nefertiti Coin Planned

The Franklin Mint has been commissioned by the Arab Republic of Egypt to strike a 100-pound denomination gold coin bearing the likeness of Queen Nefertiti, who gained notoriety in 1367 B.C. as the wife of Pharaoh Akhenaten, the first monotheistic ruler of the ancient empire. Featuring Dominic Angelini's rendering of the well-known profile of the Queen originally sculpted by Tuthmosis, the coin will be struck in .900 fine gold, measure 32mm in diameter, weigh 17.15 grams and have a limited issuance of



Master sculptor Dominic Angelini of the Franklin Mint adds detail to a plaster portrait of Queen Nefertiti, which appears on the new Egyptian gold coin.

15,000. It will be the largest denomination Egyptian coin in the nation's history, and the first ever struck in the United States. Minting is planned to commence the latter part of this year and promises to yield an exceptional piece.

UNITED STATES

Medal Pays Tribute to Soviet Prisoner

A medal designed by Russian-American sculptor Alex Shagin to honor Soviet "prisoner of conscience" Anatoly Shcharansky has been released by the Judah L. Magnes Memorial Museum in Berkeley, California.

In March of this year, 1,500 delegates gathered in Jerusalem at the World Conference on Soviet Jewry to devise ways to stimulate Western pressure on the Kremlin to free Jewish prisoners and reopen the gates to emigration. Groups advocating the release of Shcharansky have initiated letter-writing campaigns, demonstrations and an International Tribunal to "investigate charges that the USSR has violated the human and civil rights of Soviet citizen Anatoly Shcharansky which are guaranteed to him by international treaties to which the USSR is signatory and by the Constitution and laws of the USSR." Shcharansky celebrated his 35th birthday in prison on January 20, as he has done for the past six years. He has been sentenced to a total of thirteen years in prison and labor camp in the infamous Gulag Archipelago.

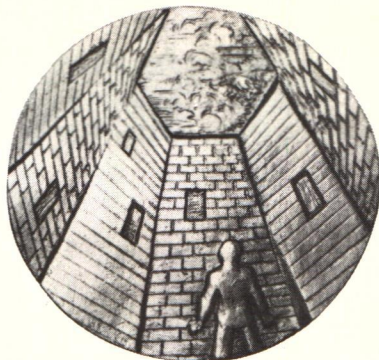
Alex Shagin, creator of the Shcharansky medal, studied for six years at the Lenin-

June 1983 Mint Report

Denomination	Prev. Total	May Total	Total
Half Dollars	30,012,000	3,952,000	33,964,000
Quarter Dollars	531,347,000	106,976,000	638,323,000
Dimes	578,585,000	127,340,000	705,925,000
Five-cent Pieces	451,717,000	86,612,000	538,329,000
One-cent Pieces	6,429,260,000	1,215,320,000	7,634,580,000
1983 Proof Sets	3	620,340	620,343
Bicentennial 40% Silver Proof Sets	12,937	89	13,026
Bicentennial 40% Silver Uncirculated Sets	10,167	19	10,186
George Washington Commemorative Proof Sets	939,996	143,308	1,083,340
George Washington Commemorative Uncirculated Sets	229,142	20,542	319,684
Olympic Proof Sets	321,396	121,694	443,090

Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments

Philadelphia Panama	Denomination 1 Centesimo	Prev. Total —0—	June Total 2,000,000	Total 2,000,000
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grad Mukhina Fine and Decorative Art School, and upon graduation was selected by the Soviet government to be on the artistic staff of the Leningrad Mint. In this position, he designed the official Apollo-Soyuz medals that were presented to the American astronauts during their visit to the Soviet Union, as well as many of the 1980 Moscow Olympic commemorative coins. Today Shagin lives in Los Angeles and considers his medallic tribute to Anatoly Shcharansky his most "meaningful" assignment since he left Russia.

The bronze 4½-inch medal features on its obverse a portrait of Anatoly Shcharansky. The reverse pictures a lone figure surrounded by six high-rising walls. Shagin

portrayed his hope for the future of Russian Jews in a six-sided form alluding to the Star of David. Above the walls is a hint of the outside world and freedom.

The Anatoly Shcharansky medal has a limited striking of 250 and is available only to those making contributions of \$100 to the nonprofit Magnes Museum. The medals are serially numbered and have been personally initialed on the edge by Alex Shagin. A portion of the proceeds from the medal sales will be contributed to Shcharansky's wife Avital, who makes her home in Israel, and to the Councils for Soviet Jewry. Contributions should be sent to the Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St., Berkeley, CA 94705.

NEPAL

Mount Everest Ascent Honored

On May 29, 1983, the 30th anniversary of the first ascent of Mount Everest was celebrated with the issuance of gold and silver commemorative Proof coins from the Himalayan Kingdom of Nepal. Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, the two conquering heroes, personally signed the inscribed certificates included with each gold and silver Proof. Designed by HMG Mint artists in Nepal, the coins have common obverses and reverses except for the change of values.

The Rs-1,000 gold Proof has a diameter of 28.5mm, and is struck in .500 fine gold with mirror-finish and frosted relief. This gold Proof has a limited striking of 350 pieces, with a retail price of US\$250. The Rs-100 .925 sterling silver Proof has a limited mintage of 1,500 pieces, also with mirror-finish and frosted relief, measures 38.7mm and is priced at US\$45. Each Proof coin is housed in a hinged-lid, inscribed case and comes with a numbered certifi-



cate of authenticity signed by the general manager of the Singapore Mint. The Rs-10 cupro-nickel Uncirculated crown has a diameter of 40mm and a limited mintage of 2,000 pieces. Each coin is housed in a plastic, slide-lid case and is available for US\$5.

Orders, accompanied by a postage and handling charge of \$4 for each Proof coin and \$1 for each Uncirculated piece, should be sent to the Nepal Numismatic Bureau, GPO Box 954, Adelaide, South Australia 5001.

White Plains Coin Club (C-47091)

Nearly \$600 was raised by the White Plains Coin Club of New York at a special Auction Night, held June 14 to help finance the construction of Luther Hall at St. Mathew's Lutheran Church in White Plains. For years the coin club has held its monthly meetings at St. Mathew's, and members happily donated their time and numismatic items to the success of the auction.

Highlighting the auction was a bronze St. Mathew's 500th Anniversary medal and several enamel pins of Martin Luther. A check was presented to Dorothy Zelenko, vice president of the congregation, and Reverend Dr. Fred Schumacher by WCC past president and auction chairman Lawrence J. Gentile, Sr. and club president Bob Johnson at the conclusion of the club's 270th meeting. The church conveyed deep thanks to all White Plains Coin Club officers and members for their expression of love and interest in the special construction project.



The Reverend Dr. Fred Schumacher (left) and church vice president Dorothy Zelenko receive a cash donation from White Plains Coin Club President Bob Johnson (right) and Lawrence J. Gentile, Sr. to help pay for construction at St. Mathew's Lutheran Church in White Plains.

Ocean County Coin Club (C-67395)

A two-inch uniface medal has been issued by the Ocean County Coin Club of New Jersey in observance of its 13th annual coin show, scheduled for September 11 at the Beacon Manor Hotel in Point Pleasant Beach. The medal features the club's "Graf Zeppelin" logo pictured over an outline of Ocean County, with the obverse and reverse of an early New Jersey



Colonial cent depicted on either side. The entire design is encircled by the legends OCEAN COUNTY COIN CLUB and NJ'S MOST ACTIVE COIN CLUB. The medals, available at the show for \$3.50, may be ordered by mail after September 11 by sending \$5, postage inclusive, to OCCC Medal, P.O. Box 248, Brick, NJ 08723.

Cupertino Coin Club (C-70891)

On May 14 twenty members of California's Cupertino Coin Club took part in a tour of the Old San Francisco Mint and returned home full of interesting information about the landmark. Featured as part of the tour was a half-hour film about the history of the Old San Francisco Mint and its survival of the 1906 earthquake, followed by a guided tour of the mint itself. Everyone enjoyed the visit and praised their "knowledgeable, humorous and interesting" guide.

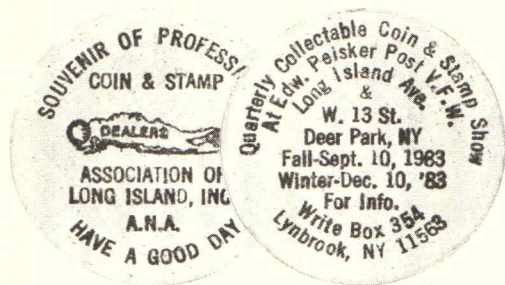
In June the club sponsored an "other hobbies night," and members shared stories and displayed their non-numismatic collections. Dean Soderstrum started the evening by showing his collection of old postcards, followed by Kevin Starr's collection of Matchbox cars, Mark Barry's stamp exhibit, Tim Archer's display of Hummel figurines and James Cooberly's collection of tools. Eddy Turpin and Jay Toney gave a presentation about Boy Scouting and merit badges, and Mario Garcia and Ralph Kearns discussed Scouting from a leader's point of view. Bob Keegan completed the program with his display of southwestern Indian pottery

and jewelry. "Other hobbies night" proved to be an interesting change from the club's normal meeting format, and a good time was had by all who participated.

The Cupertino Coin Club meets the first Friday of each month at the Lincoln Elementary School in Cupertino, California.

Professional Coin and Stamp Dealers Association of Long Island (C-121932)

The Professional Coin and Stamp Dealers Association of Long Island has issued a souvenir wood for its fall and winter quarterly shows, scheduled for September 10 and December 10, 1983, at the VFW Post on Long Island Avenue and West 13th Street in Deer Park, New York. The obverse of the wood features the organization's logo, and the reverse provides information regarding dates and location of the shows. The souvenir wood is available free at either of the scheduled shows, or two may be ordered for 25¢ by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Professional Coin and Stamp Dealers Association of Long Island, Inc., P.O. Box 354, Lynbrook, NY 11563.



Western Maryland Coin Club (C-26386)

The Western Maryland Coin Club of Cumberland will celebrate its 45th Anniversary on September 13 with a special anniversary dinner. The main speaker and guest of honor at the dinner will be ANA Governor Stephen R. Taylor, and Martin L. Johnson, an original charter member of the club, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Over the years, a number of famous and respected numismatists, including Ira S. Reed, William A. Gaede, Howard D. Gibbs, Joseph Stack, Abe Kosoff and Lewis Regan, have spoken at the club's monthly meetings.

Philippine Collectors Society (C-120313)

The Philippine Collectors Society reached an important goal recently when George L. Martin, Jr. of Haverton, Pennsylvania, became the club's 100th active member. Leading membership states, according to club director Hugh B. Jones, are California with 16 members, followed by New York with 10, Texas with 8 and Florida with 6 active members.

First organized in September 1982, the Philippine Collectors Society is a non-profit organization designed to promote interest in Philippine coins, medals, tokens and currency. A quarterly newsletter is published to keep PCS members up-to-date with news items, editorials, ads and notices from other members. Further information about the club may be obtained from Hugh B. Jones, P.O. Box NN, Biloxi, MS 39533.

Sacramento Valley Coin Club (C-103406)

The 26th Annual Coinorama sponsored by the Sacramento Valley Coin Club is scheduled October 6 through 8 at the Beverly Garland Motor Lodge, Highway 80 at Exposition Boulevard in Sacramento, California. The club's first three-day show, Coinorama '83 will feature an educational forum, exhibits, an ANACS booth and a large bourse area.

Rochester Numismatic Association (LC-8)

The 70th annual club presidential medal of the Rochester Numismatic Association honors RNA past president William J. Carr, noted collector of tokens and medals. As with the four most recent RNA presidential medals, this year's design was modeled by award-winning local sculptor Achille Forgione. The obverse of the medal depicts a bust of Carr, facing left, encircled by the legend WILLIAM J. CARR—70TH PRESIDENT 1982. The medal's reverse pictures the RNA logo, with the inscriptions ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION and BRANCH 2 OF ANA. One hundred seventy-five medals were struck in bronze for club members, ten were struck in .999 fine silver and one presentation piece was struck in 14kt gold.

To mark its upcoming show, scheduled for October 22 and 23, the RNA has issued



its second elongated cent, which depicts an Olympic athlete with torch in hand, an adaption of an original design by Augustus Saint-Gaudens. Collectors may obtain the elongated cent by sending 50¢ and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to RNA Medal Committee, 30 Williston Rd., Rochester, NY 14616.

The Rochester Numismatic Association meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, September through June, at 8:00 p.m. in Rochester's Strasenburgh Planetarium.

West Valley Coin Club (C-26810)

Members at the April meeting of California's West Valley Coin Club paid tribute to two club members for outstanding contributions and service to the club during 1982. The Russel T. Snyder Award for meritorious excellence in exhibiting was presented to Herman Giese, who received the highest average score in the monthly display competition. Walter A. Ostromecki received the Ruth Johnson Literary Award for his monthly feature articles in the club newsletter.

A special feature entitled "Tips On Exhibiting" was presented at the meeting by Thomas Fitzgerald, immediate past president of the Numismatic Association of Southern California. He explained that exhibiting is the first step in sharing the pleasures of the hobby with others.

The West Valley Coin Club meets the fourth Sunday of every month at the Reseda Women's Club, 7901 Lindley Avenue in Reseda.

Parkersburg Coin Club (C-28700)

The 18th Annual Spring Coin Show sponsored by the Parkersburg Coin Club of West Virginia was held April 16 and 17 in conjunction with National Coin Week,

and featured several informative exhibits, including Lou Wyant's Best of Show display, "Bust Half Dollars, 1801 to 1839." Approximately 20 dealers participated in the show and reported heavy buying, selling and trading on the bourse floor.

Plans are being formulated for the club's 10th annual fall show, scheduled for November 19 and 20 at the Parkersburg Holiday Inn, Route 50 and I-77. The Parkersburg Coin Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Wood County Multi-Purpose Senior Citizens Center, 925 Market Street in Parkersburg.



Lou Wyant (left) receives the Best of Show award from Exhibit Chairman Mark Atkinson at the 18th Annual Spring Show of the Parkersburg Coin Club.

Garden State Numismatic Association (LC-17)

Forty youngsters were in attendance at the Young Numismatist Program conducted June 25 during the 8th Annual Garden State Numismatic Association Convention held in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. YNs enjoyed a full day of numismatic activities under the direction and supervision of program chairman Lawrence J. Gentile, Sr. Speakers included ANA Governor Stephen R. Taylor, auctioneer William A. Souders, PAK-Jefferson Full Step Nickel Club president Adolph Weiss, U.S. commemorative authority Anthony Swiatek, and Alan Weinberg. Highlights of the program were a play-money auction conducted by William Souders, a numis-



On September 17 and 18, 1983, the **Indiana Coin Club** (C-53455) will hold its silver anniversary coin show in Indiana, Pennsylvania. To commemorate the event, the club has issued a wooden nickel, which may be acquired by sending 25¢ and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to L.V. Stabile, P.O. Box 91, Lucernemines, PA 15754.

matic quiz and a mini-exhibit contest. Winning first-, second- and third-place exhibit prizes were Stephen Barna, Barbara Stutzman and Cliff Levy, respectively. Exhibit plaques were presented to all who participated in the exhibit contest, and door-prizes donated by convention dealers were awarded during the course of the program. Dealer Leonard Helicher kindly treated the YN group to lunch at a nearby restaurant.

Indiana State Numismatic Association (C-31217)

Jerry Lebo, editor of the Indiana State Numismatic Association's quarterly publication, *ISNA News*, will happily include on his mailing list state or regional clubs willing to send him issues of their regular publications. Any clubs wishing to participate in this "newsletter exchange" may contact Jerry Lebo, P.O. Box 44377, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Calendar listings are published as a service to member clubs of the American Numismatic Association. Entries must be received **at least eight weeks** prior to the cover date of the magazine and preferably as much as **four months** in advance so announcements can appear in several consecutive issues. Type or print clearly and include zip code in address. Send to *Calendar of Events*, Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

EAST

SEPTEMBER

- 2-4** NEW CARROLLTON, MD. New Carrollton Sheraton & Exhibition Center. 11th Annual Convention & Coin Show of the Maryland State Numismatic Association. MSNA, P.O. Box 6533, Sparrows Point, MD 21074.
- 9-11** LEBANON, PA. Quality Inn, Quentin Rd. & Poplar St. 44th Semi-Annual Lebanon Valley Coin Show sponsored by the Lebanon Valley Coin Club. Claude R. Wise II, 1430 Walnut St., Lebanon, PA 17042.
- 10** HAVERHILL, MA. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 495, Exit 49. Coin Show sponsored by the Middlesex Regional Numismatic Society. Steven F. Gray, 264 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830.
- 10** DEER PARK, NY. VFW Post, Long Island Ave. & W. 13th St. Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Professional Coin & Stamp Dealers Association of Long Island. PCSDALI, P.O. Box 354, Lynbrook, NY 11563.
- 10-11** GREENSBURG, PA. Mt. View Inn, Lincoln Hwy. E. Coin Show sponsored by the Greensburg Coin Club. Raymond C. Noel, R.D. 2, Box 420, Latrobe, PA 15650.
- 10-11** HARRISBURG, PA. Sheraton-Harrisburg Inn West, I-83 & Pennsylvania Tpk. Harrisburg Coin Club's 21st Annual Coin Show & Exhibition. Marian E. Smith, 849 Highland St., Harrisburg, PA 17113.
- 11** ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Coin Show sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.
- 11** POINT PLEASANT BEACH, NJ. Beacon Manor Hotel, Hwy. 88 & Rt. 35. Ocean County Coin Club's 13th Annual Coin Show. Archie A. Black, P.O. Box 63, Brick, NJ 08723.
- 16-18** RICHMOND, VA. John Marshall Hotel, 5th & Franklin Sts. Virginia Numismatic Association's 25th Annual Silver Anniversary Convention. Ray Haymaker, R.F.D. 1, Box 284, Clifton Forge, VA 24422.
- 17-18** INDIANA, PA. Rustic Lodge, Rt. 286 S. 25th Annual Fall Coin Show of the Indiana Coin Club. C.V. Stabile, P.O. Box 91, Lucernemines, PA 15754.
- 17-18** SYRACUSE, NY. Ramada Inn, 1305 Buckley Rd. Coin Show sponsored by the Onondaga Numismatic Association. Edmund J. Wlodarski, 8026 Trina Cir. W., Clay, NY 13041.

18 LOCKPORT, NY. Lockport Inn, 515 S. Transit St. 7th Annual Fall Lockport Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Lockport Coin & Stamp Club. Larry Hendricks, 7085 Old English Rd., Lockport, NY 14094.

24-25 LANCASTER, PA. Lancaster Treadway Inn, Oregon Pike & Rt. 30. Red Rose Coin Club's 25th Annual Coin Show. Tom Schell, P.O. Box 232, Lancaster, PA 17603.

24-25 SOMERSET, PA. Ramada Inn. Somerset County Coin Club's Coin Show. William D. Oglione, R.D. 1, Box 293, Friedens, PA. 15541.

26 TRENTON, NJ. Disabled American Veterans #41, McNeer Bldg., 911 Arena Dr. Open House Night sponsored by The Trenton Numismatic Club. Arno Saffron, c/o Trenton State College, Bray Hall, Trenton, NJ 08638.

29-October 2 NEW YORK, NY. New York Sheraton Hotel, 4th Annual Greater New York Numismatic Convention held in conjunction with the American Israel Numismatic Association Convention. Moe Weinschel, Box 25790, Tamarac, FL 33320.

30-October 2 BUFFALO, NY. Buffalo Convention Center, Convention Center Plaza. 7th Annual Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Greater Buffalo Coin Dealers' Association. Dell Reitz, 2197 Broadway St., Buffalo, NY 14212.

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1 HAVERHILL, MA. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 495, Exit 49. Coin Show sponsored by the Middlesex Regional Numismatic Society. Steven F. Gray, 264 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830.

2 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Coin Show sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

13-16 CHERRY HILL, NJ. Hyatt Cherry Hill, Rt. 70. 21st Annual Convention of the Great Eastern Numismatic Association. William Loss, Box A124, Wantagh, NY 11793.

16 DANBURY, CT. Rogers Park School. Danbury Coin Club's Coin Show. George Mitchell, 1 Vista Dr., R.F.D. 1, New Milford, CT 06776.

16 SYRACUSE, NY. Ramada Inn, 1305 Buckley Rd. Coin Show sponsored by the Onondaga Numismatic Association. Edmund J. Wlodarski, 8026 Trina Cir. W., Clay, NY 13041.

20-23 LANHAM, MD. Sheraton Inn, 8500 Annapolis Rd. 31st Annual Convention & Show of the Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association. Ted Hendrick, Box 12052, Raleigh, NC 27605.

22 PARAMUS, NJ. Bergen Mall Shopping Center, Rt. 4. Northern Valley Coin Club's 9th Annual Coin Show. Lester Kinley, P.O. Box 148, Demarest, NJ 07627.

22-23 ROCHESTER, NY. Rochester Airport Holiday Inn. Rochester Numismatic Association's Annual Coin Show. RNA, 30 Williston Rd., Rochester, NY 14616.

23 CAMBRIDGE, MD. American Legion Home, Sunburst Hwy. 11th Annual Coin Show & Sale of the Cambridge Coin Club. James R. Hurley, P.O. Box 932, Cambridge, MD 21613.

23 MORRIS PLAINS, NJ. Watnong VFW Post, Rt. 53. Coin Show sponsored by the Morristown Coin Club. Hy Kusnetz, 16 Hausmann Ct., Maplewood, NJ 07040.

30 EAST FREETOWN, MA. VFW Hall, 89 Middleboro Rd. Coin Show sponsored by the Bristol-Plymouth County Numismatic Association. Russell "Bud" W. Wilson, 20 Chace Rd., P.O. Box 96, East Freetown, MA 02717.

30 WEST HAVEN, CT. Knights of Columbus Hall, 263 Center St. 38th Semi-Annual Coin Show of the Liberty Coin Club. Jerry Forbes, P.O. Box 5109, Woodmont, CT 06460.

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5 HAVERHILL, MA. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 495, Exit 49. Coin Show sponsored by the Middlesex Regional Numismatic Society. Steven F. Gray, 264 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830.

6 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Coin Show sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

6 PORTLAND, ME. Holiday Inn, Maine Turnpike, Exit 8. Coin Show sponsored by the Gorham Coin Club. Charles A. Roberts, 37 Anson Rd., Portland, ME 04102.

6 EASTON, PA. Loyal Order of Moose, 147 S. 4th St. Forks of the Delaware Coin Club's 18th Annual Coin & Stamp Show. FDCC, 404 Wilson St., Phillipsburg, NJ 08865.

12-13 LA VALE, MD. LaVale Fire Hall, 423 National Hwy. Coin Show sponsored by the Western Maryland Coin Club. George Waingold, 1260 Vocke Rd., LaVale, MD 21502.

19-20 PARKERSBURG, WV. Holiday Inn, Rt. 50 & I-77. 10th Annual Fall Coin Show sponsored by the Parkersburg Coin Club. Ken Wyant, P.O. Box 2143, Parkersburg, WV 26101.

20 TOWSON, MD. Towson Quality Inn, 1015 York Rd. Baltimore Coin Club's Coin Show. Paul E. Finck, Box 101, Timonium, MD 21093.

25-27 BINGHAMTON, NY. Holiday Inn-Arena, 8 Hawley St. Empire State Numismatic Association's Annual Convention hosted by the Triple Cities Coin Club. Tony Rood, 309 Groveland Rd., Endicott, NY 13760.

DECEMBER

- 3** HAVERHILL MA. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Rt. 495, Exit 49. Coin Show sponsored by the Middlesex Regional Numismatic Society. Steven F. Gray, 264 Main St., Haverhill, MA 01830.
- 4** ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Coin Show sponsored by the Capital District Coin Dealers Association. Joseph F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180.

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- 4** HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, Hollywood Blvd. Gold Coast Coin Club's Coin Show. Dorothy Kociaba, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL 33022.
- 10** DECATUR, GA. Dekalb Federal Savings & Loan Bldg., 116 Clairmont Ave. Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Dekalb Coin Club. D.A. Spivey, P.O. Box 20083, Atlanta, GA 30325.
- 10-11** GUYMON, OK. Texas County Activity Center. Antique & Coin Show sponsored by the Guymon Coin Club. GCC, 1103 N. James, Guymon, OK 73942.
- 10-11** FAYETTEVILLE, NC. Sheraton Motor Inn, 301 Bragg Blvd. 10th Coin Show of the Cumberland County Coin Club. Charles L. Kimber, 3705 Florida Dr., Fayetteville, NC 28301.
- 11** BEEVILLE, TX. Bee County College, Charco Rd. at Hwy. 181. Beeville Coin Club's 16th Annual Coin Show. BCC, Box 209, Beeville, TX 78102.
- 11** DALLAS, TX. Holiday Inn, Regal Row & I-35 E. Coin Show sponsored by the Dallas Coin Dealers Association. William L. Timmons, 2901 Valley View, #120, Dallas, TX 75234.
- 16-18** ORLANDO, FL. Hilton Inn Florida Center, 7400 International Dr. Fall Coin Show sponsored by the Central Florida Coin Club. A.J. Vinci, 1002 Pebble Beach Cir. W., Winter Springs, FL 32708.
- 24-25** BEAUMONT, TX. Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main St. Beaumont Coin Club's 24th Annual Coin Show. Jerry Williams, 2645 North, Beaumont, TX 77702.

OCTOBER

- 1-2** MUSKOGEE, OK. Muskogee Civic Assembly Center. 22nd Annual Exhibit & Coin Show of the Indian Capital Coin Club. George L. King, P.O. Box 1952, Muskogee, OK 74401.
- 1-2** WASHINGTON, NC. Red Man Hall, E. 3rd St. 18th Annual Beaufort County Coin Show sponsored by the Beaufort County Coin Club. E.C. Challis, Rt. 5, Box 20, Washington, NC 27889.
- 1-2** FORT WORTH, TX. Green Oaks Inn, 6901 W. Freeway. Ft. Worth Coin Club's 23rd Annual Coin Show. Bob Skeen, 3101 Manchester Circle, Bedford, TX 76021.
- 2** DALLAS, TX. Holiday Inn, Regal Row & I-35 E. Coin Show sponsored by the Dallas Coin Dealers Association. William L. Timmons, 2901 Valley View, #120, Dallas, TX 75234.
- 2** HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, Hollywood Blvd. Gold Coast Coin Club's Coin Show. Dorothy Kociaba, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL 33022.
- 7-9** SINGER ISLAND, FL. Colonnades Beach Hotel, Blue Heron Blvd. Palm Beach Coin Club's 3rd Annual Show. Jack Pollino, P.O. Box 12412, Lake Park, FL 33403.
- 8-9** ALEXANDRIA, LA. National Guard Armory, 5500 Leesville Hwy. Louisiana Numismatic Association's 22nd Annual Convention & Coin Show sponsored by the Cenla Coin Club. John Huffman, P.O. Box 5923, Alexandria, LA 71301.
- 14-16** HUNTSVILLE, AL. The Mall, University Dr. & North Memorial Pkwy. Rocket City Coin Club's 30th Semi-Annual Coin Show. J.R. Tate, P.O. Box 750, Huntsville, AL 35804.
- 16** NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL. The Mall at 163rd Street, 1421 N.E. 163rd St. Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Professional Coin Dealers Association of South Florida, Inc. PCDA, P.O. Box 69-3360, Miami, FL 33169.
- 21-23** TALLAHASSEE, FL. National Guard Armory. Capital City Coin Club's Annual Coin & Stamp Show. C. David McGlothlin, P.O. Box 13193, Tallahassee, FL 32317.
- 22-23** DENISON, TX. Holiday Inn, Junction Hwy. 75 & 69. Texomaland Coin Club's 11th Annual Coin Show. H.C. Overt, 614 Denton Dr., Sherman, TX 75090.
- 28-30** COLUMBIA, SC. Holiday Inn, 600 Assembly St. 11th Annual Convention & Coin Show sponsored by the South Carolina Numismatic Association. Gary Arrowood, P.O. Box 16531, Greenville, SC 29606.
- 28-30** COCOA BEACH, FL. Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Atlantic Ave. Fall Coin & Stamp show of the Space Coast Coin Club. Herbert R. Hogue, P.O. Box 4335, Patrick, FL 32925.
- 29-30** LAFAYETTE, LA. Municipal Auditorium. Lafayette Coin Club's 21st Annual Cajun Coinival. Doug Gardner, P.O. Box 52334, Lafayette, LA 70505.

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- 6** HOLLYWOOD, FL. Hollywood Mall, Hollywood Blvd. Gold Coast Coin Club's Coin Show. Dorothy Kociaba, P.O. Box 205, Hollywood, FL. 33022.

- 6** DALLAS, TX. Holiday Inn, Regal Row & I-35E. Coin Show sponsored by the Dallas Coin Dealers Association. W.L. Timmons, 2901 Valley View, #120, Dallas, TX 75234.
- 11-13** DALLAS, TX. Dallas Marriott Hotel Quorum. 5th Annual Numismatics International Coin Exposition. Ross Schraeder, P.O. Box 6094, Richardson, TX 75080.
- 18-20** ST. PETERSBURG, FL. National Guard Armory, 3601 38th Ave. S. Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Gulfport Coin Club. Mary Leeuw, 600 41st Ave. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33703.
- 18-20** ATLANTA, GA. Atlanta Mart & Peach Tree Plaza Hotel, Spring & Harris Sts. 24th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Blue Ridge Numismatic Association & the Atlanta Coin Club. Claud Murphy, P.O. Box 15091, Atlanta, GA 30333.
- 26-27** FORT LAUDERDALE, FL. Pier 66 Hotel & Marina, 2301 S.E. 17th St. Fort Lauderdale Coin Club's annual Coin & Stamp Show. Jim Endicott, 1137 S. Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316.
- 26-27** HOUSTON, TX. Ramada Inn-Hobby Airport, 7777 Airport Blvd. 22nd Annual Coin Show of the Pasadena Coin Club. PCC, 435 Eldorado Blvd., #12, Webster, TX. 77598.

CENTRAL

SEPTEMBER

- 11** XENIA, OH. Peoples Savings & Loan Bldg., 100 W. Main St. Greene County Coin Club's Fall Coin Show. Bill Wynn, P.O. Box 63, Xenia, OH 45385.
- 17-18** LENEXA, KS. Howard Johnson's, I-35 & 95th St. 15th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Johnson County Numismatic Society. Bill Sams, 805 Edgemere Dr., Olathe, KS 66061.
- 23-25** CHATTANOOGA, TN. Quality Inn, I-75, East Ridge Exit. 4th Annual Fall Show of the Tennessee State Numismatic Society. Ruth W. Armstrong, 1501 Akins Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37411.
- 25** FAIRFIELD, IL. North Side Grade School. Fairfield Coin Club's 13th Annual Coin Show. Cecil Draper, Rt. 3, Fairfield, IL 62837.
- 25** ALBION, MI. National Guard Armory, 1023 N. Clark St. 22nd Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Albion Coin Club. John Harry, P.O. Box 131, Albion, MI 49224.
- 30-October 2** COLUMBIA, MO. Biscayne Mall, 301 Stadium Blvd. Columbia Coin Club's 19th Annual Coin Show. Dale Wilmeth, P.O. Box 7293, Columbia, MO 65205.
- 31-October 2** CEDAR RAPIDS, IA. Sheraton Inn, 525 33rd Ave. S.W. Iowa Numismatic Association Annual Convention sponsored by the Cedar Rapids Coin Club. Jim Hamling, 4312 Twin Pine Drive N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402.

OCTOBER

- 1-2** NEW PHILADELPHIA, OH. Holiday Inn, 131 Bluebell Dr. S.W. 24th Annual Show of the Tuscarawas County Coin Club. TCCC, Box 83, New Philadelphia, OH 44663.
- 1-2** SPRINGFIELD, OH. Upper Valley Mall, Upper Valley Pike & Rt. 41. Coin Show sponsored by the Clark County Coin Club. Barry Brooks, 1628 E. Main St., Springfield, OH 45503.
- 1-2** ANDERSON, IN. Mounds Mall Shopping Center, 109-Bypass. Madison County Coin Club's Fall Coin Show. Ed Fischer, P.O. Box 2, Anderson, IN 46015.
- 7-9** MILWAUKEE, WI. MECCA Convention Center, 4th & Kilbourn Ave. 49th Annual Coin Show of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society. A.P. Bertschy, 3939 N. Murray Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53211.
- 8** HOLLAND MI. Holland Civic Center, W. 8th St. Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Holland Coin Club. Ted Nielsen, P.O. Box 233-B, Holland, MI 49423.
- 8-9** BOLIVAR, MO. American Legion Bldg., W. Hwy. 32. Twin Lakes Coin Club Collectors' Show. Mary Newcomb, 319 W. Colgate, Bolivar, MO 65613.
- 9** WOODSTOCK, IL. McHenry County Fair Grounds, Rt. 47 N. & Country Club Rd. McHenry County Coin Club's Annual Coin Show. MCCC, Box 271, Crystal Lake, IL 60014.
- 14-16** MEMPHIS, TN. Holiday Inn, 200 W. Georgia. Memphis Coin Club's Annual Coin Show. MCC, P.O. Box 40572, Memphis, TN 38104.
- 16** LANSING, MI. Hilton Inn, 7501 W. Saginaw. Annual Fall Coin Show sponsored by the Lansing Coin Club. Bill Lacy, 625 S. Waverly Rd., Lansing, MI 48917.
- 21-23** HURON, SD. Huron Mall. Fall Coin & Stamp Show sponsored by the Fair City Coin & Stamp Club. FCCSC, Box 659, Huron, SD 57350.

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- 5-6** OMAHA, NE. Holiday Inn, I-80 & 72nd St. 24th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Omaha Coin Club. Ralph Reeves, 1027 S. 90th St., Omaha, NE 68114.
- 6** DETROIT, MI. Knights of Columbus Hall, 25300 Fenkell. Northwest Detroit Coin Club's Coin Show. NWDCC, P.O. Box 16231, Lansing, MI 48901.
- 18-20** ST. LOUIS, MO. Henry VIII Inn, 4690 N. Lindbergh. World Coin Club's 19th Annual Coin Show. WCC, P.O. Box 12413, St. Louis, MO 63132.

18-20 CINCINNATI, OH. Cincinnati Convention Center, 5th & Vine Sts. Penn-Ohio Coin Club's Convention & Show. J.H. Cline, 4421 Salem Ave., Dayton, OH 45416.

25-27 KANSAS CITY, MO. The Inn, 1601 N. University Ave. 25th Silver Anniversary Midwest Coin Show sponsored by the Heart of America Numismatic Association. Ralph Hardman, 4809 Belindes Ct., Shawnee Mission, KS 66205.

29-30 BLOOMINGTON, MN. Holiday Inn-International Airport, 3 Appletree Square. Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Minnesota Organization of Numismatists. Jerry Swanson, P.O. Box 565, Rochester, MN 55901.

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4 VENTURA, CA. Holiday Inn, 450 E. Harbor Blvd. 23rd Annual Coinarama sponsored by the Ventura County Coin Club. VCCC, P.O. Box 3263, Ventura, CA 93006.

9-11 ALBUQUERQUE, NM. Convention Center, 300 2nd N.W. 4th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the New Mexico Coin Dealers Association. Paul C. Lisle, P.O. Box 3622, Albuquerque, NM 87190.

17-18 AUBURN, WA. VFW Hall, 615 C St. S.W. Auburn "Coinex '83" Coin Show sponsored by the Auburn Coin Club. Don Filand, Box 13, Auburn, WA 98002.

22-25 SAN FRANCISCO, CA. Cathedral Hill Hotel, Van Ness Ave. & Geary St. Northern California Numismatic Association's 22nd Annual Convention. Denis Hooker, 65 Post St., San Jose, CA 95113.

OCTOBER

7-9 SACRAMENTO, CA. The Beverly Garland Motor Lodge, Hwy. 80 & Exposition Blvd. 26th Annual Coinorama sponsored by the Sacramento Valley Coin Club. SVCC, P.O. Box 160122, Sacramento, CA 95816.

8-9 PUYALLUP, WA. Iron Gate Inn, River Rd. E. The Ezra Meeker Coin Club's 18th Annual Coin Show. Don Filand, P.O. Box 183, Puyallup, WA 98371.

15-16 STOCKTON, CA. Eagles Hall, 1492 Bourbon St. Coin Show sponsored by the Delta Coin Club of California. Elden Enzminger, P.O. Box 216, Victor, CA 95253.

28-30 SALT LAKE CITY, UT. Salt Palace, 100 S.W. Temple. 20th Annual Utah Coin Show sponsored by the Utah Numismatic Society. Al Rust, 311 S. Main, Salt Lake City, UT 84111.

30 RESEDA, CA. Reseda Women's Club, 7901 Lindley Ave. 25th Annual Show of the West Valley Coin Club. H. Donald, Box 221, Tarzana, CA 91365.

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10-13 HONOLULU, HI. Queen Kapiolani Hotel. 20th Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Hawaii State Numismatic Association. M.F. Kendrick, Box 477, Honolulu, HI 96809.

29 PETALUMA, CA. Veterans Memorial Building, 1094 S. Petaluma Blvd. 16th Annual Coin Show of the Redwood Empire Coin Club. William Feist, P.O. Box 2811, Santa Rosa, CA 95405.

DECEMBER

4 PLEASANT HILL, CA. Pleasant Hill Recreation Center, 320 Civic Dr. 21st Annual Coin Show of the Diablo Numismatic Society. DNS, P.O. Box 593, Clayton, CA 94517.

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30-October 2 TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA. Harbourfront, 222 Queen's Quay W. Torex Fall 1983 Collectibles Show sponsored by the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers. Al Bliman, P.O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ontario M2R 3G5, Canada.

OCTOBER

7-9 TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA. Loews Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge St. Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers' Fall Coin Show. Al Bliman, P.O. Box 3145, Station D, Willowdale, Ontario M2R 3G5, Canada.

FUTURE ANA EVENTS

February 23-26, 1984 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. Broadmoor Hotel. 6th Midwinter Convention. Adna G. Wilde, Jr., General Chairman, 29 Friendship Ln., Colorado Springs, CO 80904.

July 31-August 4, 1984 DETROIT, MI. Cobo Hall Convention Center. 93rd Anniversary Convention. Florence Schook, General Chairman, P.O. Box 2014, Livonia, MI 48154.

February 20-24, 1985 SAN ANTONIO, TX. San Antonio Marriott Hotel. 7th Midwinter Convention. General Chairman to be announced.

August 18-25, 1985 BALTIMORE, MD. Baltimore Convention Center. 94th Anniversary Convention. General Chairman to be announced.

ANA CERTIFICATION SERVICE

Building a Case: Genuine or Counterfeit?

ANACS does not declare coins to be counterfeit, altered or genuine based on just one diagnostic. Rather, it tries to "build a case" for or against the coin in question, taking into account the appearance of the obverse, reverse and edge. General characteristics of genuine coins considered in certification include lustre, die polishing, die cracks, die clash marks, metal flow, sharp details, and mintmark shape and position. If a coin is suspected to be counterfeit, ANACS looks for depressions, signs of tooling, spikes from die gouges, odd lustre, portions of raised metal, peculiar metal flow and mushy details.

Collectors should bear in mind that all the aforementioned characteristics of genuine coins occasionally are seen on counterfeit pieces. Conversely, characteristics of counterfeit coins have appeared



Genuine 1936-D Rhode Island commemorative half dollar.



Die polish marks and die rust on obverse figure of Roger Williams.



Die polish marks and die rust under crossbar of anchor on reverse.

on genuine coins. Thus, it is important to take into account all information when building a case for a coin's authenticity.

A prime example of the importance of considering all diagnostics is the 1936-D Rhode Island commemorative half dollar. Numismatists often declare some specimens of this coin to be counterfeit because of the appearance of numerous raised lumps of metal on the coin's surface. Although this diagnostic is characteristic of some counterfeits, it should not be used as the sole criteria for condemning this or any other coin. ANACS has examined several specimens originally purchased from the Mint in the year of issue and has found the same surface condition. In this instance, the lumps of raised metal may have been caused by

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rusted dies.

Of course, the 1936-D Rhode Island commemorative also shows a number of genuine characteristics, such as good lustre, correct mintmark shape, well-defined detail and extensive die polishing. Evidence of considerable die polishing is a characteristic common to many gold and silver commemorative coins and is sometimes a major factor in determining authenticity.

At present, no counterfeit Rhode Island commemoratives are known to ANACS; however, this is not to say that one might not surface in the near future. It has happened before!

ANACS reports published in past issues of *The Numismatist* have dealt with United States commemoratives and have proved helpful in authenticating these coins. So that others might have access to these informative articles, the ANA has published a volume of ANACS reprints, now available for sale to the general public. Introduced to collectors during the San Diego convention, the 6" x 9" soft-cover publication contains 160 pages of valuable information and can be ordered for \$7.50 postpaid from ANACS, 818 North Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.



Heavy die rust around characteristically sharp mintmark.



Commemorative coins often show extensive die polishing. An excellent example is the 1922 Grant commemorative half dollar with star, which features heavy die polish marks around the date.

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SEPTEMBER

17-18 MEMPHIS, TN. Admiral Benbow Inn. ANACS seminar. Mike Sprouse, P.O. Box 40572, Memphis, TN 38104.

18 HOUSTON, TX. Adam's Mark Hotel. ANACS seminar. Greater Houston Coin Club, P.O. Box 2963, Houston, TX 77001.

29-October 2 LONG BEACH, CA. Long Beach Convention Center. ANACS booth, Long Beach Expo. S.L. Lopresto, 309 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802.

OCTOBER

7-9 SACRAMENTO, CA. Beverly Garland Motel. ANACS booth and seminar, Coin-O-Rama. R.L. Travis, Sacramento Valley Coin Club, P.O. Box 160122, Sacramento, CA 95816.

8-9 ALEXANDRIA, LA. National Guard Armory. ANACS booth and seminar, Louisiana Numismatic Association Annual Convention and State Coin Show. Leslie A. Winners, P.O. Box 212, Pineville, LA 71360.

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11-13 HOUSTON, TX. Astro Village Hotel. ANACS booth and seminar, Fourth National Silver Dollar Convention. John W. Highfill, P.O. Box 17182, Memphis, TN 38117.

25-27 DEARBORN, MI. Hyatt-Regency Hotel. ANACS booth and seminar. Michigan State Numismatic Society, P.O. Box 2014, Livonia, MI 48154.

25-27 PORTLAND, OR. Red Lion Inn/Lloyd's Center. ANACS booth and seminar, First Annual Greater Portland Coin Show. Dave Schmidt, P.O. Box 11192, Tacoma, WA 98411.

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1000.01 to 2000 - 4.20	7000.01 to 8000 - 6.00
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24x36mm (slide)	5.40	6.00

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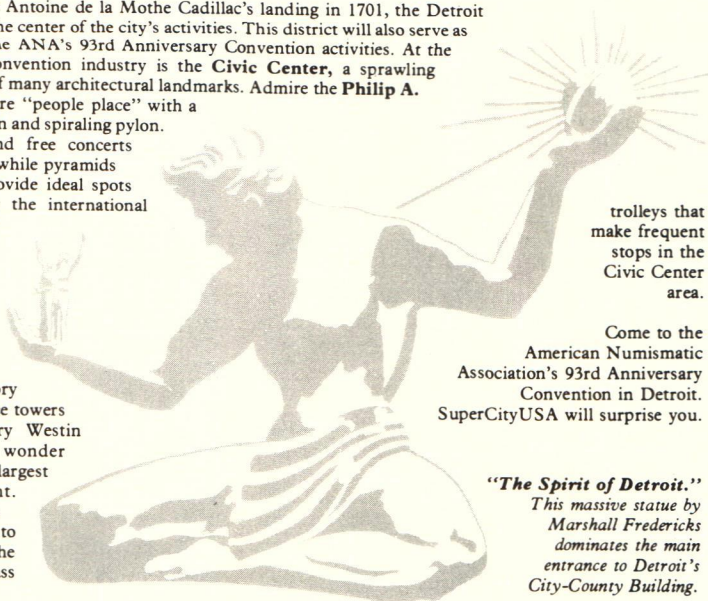
Riverfront. Since Antoine de la Mothe Cadillac's landing in 1701, the Detroit Riverfront has been the center of the city's activities. This district will also serve as the focal point for the ANA's 93rd Anniversary Convention activities. At the heart of Detroit's convention industry is the **Civic Center**, a sprawling complex comprised of many architectural landmarks. Admire the **Philip A.**

Hart Plaza, a 10-acre "people place" with a computerized fountain and spiraling pylon.

Summer festivals and free concerts abound in the Plaza, while pyramids and grassy knolls provide ideal spots from which to view the international freight traffic on the Detroit River.

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NATIONAL COIN WEEK

Participants Recognized

Final reports of participation in National Coin Week 1983 reflect the enthusiasm and imagination displayed by everyone involved. The ANA extends its thanks to all who contributed their time, dedication and hard work to make this year's national celebration the success it was.

In New York the **White Plains Coin Club** exhibited several National Coin Week displays around town, including one that was shown at the Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention in March. The club also made a donation of several numismatic books and publications to the White Plains Library.

At the Wideband Jewelry Corporation in New Rochelle, New York, **Larry Gentile, Sr.** stirred up NCW interest by handing out free pamphlets about coin collecting and by organizing an exhibit in the company lounge. He offered to identify and evaluate coins for the workers and encouraged them to bring their children to the YN programs offered at the Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention. A new junior ANA member was recruited through Larry's efforts.

David Lange of South San Francisco, California, organized a display shown in the lobby of a local bank featuring unusual items from his collection of U.S. coins. The well-attended exhibit received publicity in Dave's company newsletter and in the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society Bulletin.

The **Middlesex Regional Numismatic Society** held its first National Coin Week show and meeting, which featured a 20-dealer bourse and an ANA slide presentation about counterfeit detection. The one-day show was well-publicized and attracted an estimated three-hundred collectors. Further press coverage included a feature article in a local newspaper about club co-founder Steven Gray.

The **Ocean County Coin Club** of New Jersey reported that its 1983 National Coin Week show and exhibit held at a local shopping mall in Toms River was a tremendous success. The two-day show

featured a 12-dealer bourse and 15 exhibits. Shoppers were encouraged to vote for the best exhibits, and "People's Choice" awards went to Jerry Zara and Art Daly. As a result of its outstanding show, the Ocean County Coin Club recruited ten new members, three of whom applied for ANA membership.

A two-day coin show sponsored by the **Batavia-Genesee Country Coin and Stamp Club** presented eleven tables of numismatic material at a local mall in Batavia, New York. Highlighting the event was a raffle offering a six-piece Bicentennial mint set as the prize. The club recruited twenty new members during the course of the show.

Dennis Garrow, a junior ANA member from Chetek, Wisconsin, shared his enthusiasm for numismatics and National



Shoppers at the Ocean County Mall in Toms River, New Jersey, view displays set up for the Ocean County Coin Club's 1983 National Coin Week show and exhibit.

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Ocean County Coin Club President Archie Black (right) presents "People's Choice" awards to Jerry Zara (left) and Art Daly for the most popular exhibits at the club's Ocean County Mall show in New Jersey.

Coin Week with other young people in his area by distributing official NCW pins, stickers and buttons to local businesses. According to Dennis, every coin has a story to tell, and collecting is a good way for young people to invest their money.

The **Beeville Coin Club** of Texas organized a numismatic exhibit featuring U.S. gold and silver coins, Canadian gold coins, national bank notes, Latin American currency and sales tax tokens in the lobby of a local bank. National Coin Week buttons and Beeville Coin Club wooden dollars were given out as souvenirs at the week-long exhibit.

At a U.S. military base in Keflavik, Iceland, the **Northern Atlantic Coin and Stamp Club** sponsored a National Coin Week show at the USO. Although the USO was scheduled to shut down April 1, the club's NCW spirit was not dampened and the show was held a few weeks early. Widely publicized around base, the show

featured general numismatic displays, sales tables, a raffle and an auction.

Jeffrey M. Padell, co-president of the Bay State Coinshooters' Club, presented a display, lecture and workshop about coin collecting and grading to his fellow club members during National Coin Week. Members of the East Walpole, Massachusetts, club use metal detectors in their search for collectibles.

Arthur Sipe of Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, organized an exhibit for the Gettysburg College library, displaying sixty bronze medals of the Thompson Medallic Bible produced by the Franklin Mint. He also presented a slide show about the medals at the April meeting of the Drexel Hill chapter of the American Association of Retired People.

Through the cooperation of the American Numismatic Association, Sociedad Numismática de Mexico and the Canadian Numismatic Association, April 17 through

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23 was also designated as Coin Week North America. Several clubs planned activities around this event. The **Regina Coin Club** of Saskatchewan, Canada, and the **Louisiana State Numismatic Association** agreed to become "twin" organizations for the purpose of exchanging newsletters and operational information for a period of one year. The exchange program, which concludes with the observance of Coin Week North America 1984, hopefully will result in better organi-

zational understanding between the two clubs.

Monroe Coin Club member **Doug Jennings** of Petersburg, Michigan, promoted National Coin Week through exhibits he set up in a local bank lobby. He also worked extensively with a group of 300 seventh and eighth grade students at the Dundee Middle School. Doug spoke to the students about various aspects of coin collecting and encouraged them to participate in a "Design a Coin" contest. Todd Weyher submitted the winning design, which featured Michigan wildlife. Because of Doug's efforts, the Monroe Coin Club enlisted seven new junior members.

Hand-carved tokens and Canadian wooden money were featured in an exhibit on display at historic Centre Hill Mansion in Petersburg, Virginia. Two area newspapers publicized the exhibit, which was organized by ANA District Representative **Ginnie S. Aldridge**. Ginnie also distributed NCW posters and buttons to local coin shops and the public library.

In Iowa City, Iowa, **Robert Perry** received coverage in a local newspaper for his Lincoln Memorial cent display at the Iowa City Public Library. The pieces in the collection, dating from 1959, impressed upon library visitors that numismatics need not be an expensive hobby.



Pictured are entries in the "Design a Coin" contest sponsored by teacher Doug Jennings at the Dundee Middle School. First prize winner was Todd Weyher and his "Michigan Wildlife" design.



Doug Jennings, a teacher at Dundee Middle School in Dundee, Michigan, organized a junior coin club for his students. Members of the Viking Coin Club include (left to right) Ken Kruse, Kent Spotts, Jeff Janus, Dennis Ziesmer, Troy Goodridge, Scott Stanley, Josh Trosvig, Chuck Brososky, Eric Goodridge and Steve Carpenter.

ELECTIONS

Board Presidency Uncontested in '83 Elections

After the tabulation of the 1983 ANA elections this past July, newly elected members of the Board of Governors were installed during the San Diego convention. Q. David Bowers assumed the position of President; Florence Schook, Vice President; Bob Medlar, Governor, Seat No. 1; Kurt Krueger, Seat No. 2; Kenneth L. Hallenbeck, Seat No. 3; and A.M. Kagin, Seat No. 4. According to Computer Specialists Corporation of Colorado Springs and the ANA's accounting firm, Fox and Company, a total of 34,642 ballots were mailed to eligible members, and a 41-percent return of 14,213 ballots was recorded. Of the ballots returned, 3.7 percent were declared void for various reasons. Since the office of president was uncontested, only one vote was necessary to elect Q. David Bowers.

Board Election Results

(Tabulated July 27, 1983)

PRESIDENT

Q. David Bowers

VICE PRESIDENT

Florence Schook	7,273
Charles J. "Chuck" O'Donnell	6,120

GOVERNOR, SEAT NO. 1

Robert "Bob" Medlar	6,556
Gary E. Lewis	4,137
William H. Horton, Jr.	2,569

GOVERNOR, SEAT NO. 2

Kurt R. Krueger	6,461
Joseph L. Lepczyk	3,798
Jackson Storm	3,123

GOVERNOR, SEAT NO. 3

Kenneth L. Hallenbeck	4,771
Anthony Swiatek	3,555
George M. Beach	2,160
Arthur M. Fitts III	1,570
Sol Taylor	1,340

GOVERNOR, SEAT NO. 4

A.M. "Art" Kagin	8,783
Grover C. Criswell	4,599

Analysis of Void Ballots

Deceased or abstention	14
Multiple votes (for all candidates)	15
Improper envelope use	26
Ballot confusion (no votes)	5
Invalid ballot (no I.D. number)	46
Postmark deadline	311
Returned (not delivered)	114
Ballot not mailed	2
TOTAL VOIDS	533

INSURANCE

Enrollment Open for Group Life Plan

A limited enrollment period for the ANA-endorsed Group Term Insurance Plan will run through November 1, 1983. During that time, members and their spouses under age 60 may each apply for up to \$110,000 in life insurance protection, with lesser coverage available for unmarried dependent children. This coverage represents a 10-percent increase in benefits over previous years at no additional cost.

Important features of the group term insurance plan include payment in the event of death from any cause (except suicide or misrepresentation for the first

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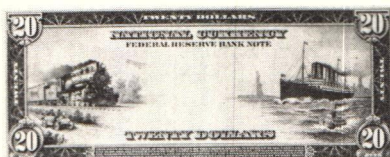
Further details regarding the plan may be obtained from the ANA Insurance Administrator, Albert H. Wohlers & Co., ANA Group Insurance Plans, 1500 Higgins Road, Park Ridge, IL 60068.

CONVENTIONS

Souvenir Cards Commemorate San Diego Convention

In observance of the ANA's 92nd Anniversary Convention held in San Diego, August 16-20, 1983, the ANA has issued an intaglio souvenir card printed from an original plate of a \$100 promissory note issued in 1850 by F. Argenti & Company. Produced by the American Bank Note Company especially for the ANA, this is one of a 10-card series of bank note replicas commemorating the ANA's 88th through 92nd Anniversary Conventions, 3rd through 5th Annual Midwinter Conventions, the Building Fund Program that enabled the addition to the Headquarters in Colorado Springs, and the dedication of the Arthur Braddan Coole Library. The souvenir card is available for \$4 per card plus \$1 for handling and postage per order. Inquiries and orders should be directed to the American Numismatic Association, P.O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901.

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The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is pleased to issue this card to honor the American Numismatic Association 93 Convention.

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Few banks were organized in the Pacific Coast area prior to 1850, but Felix Argenti & Company did open a "Banking House" in San Francisco that year. It issued promissory notes, payable to the bearer on demand "in specie," in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1000. The notes were produced by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch and Edson, one of the engraving firms that merged to form the American Bank Note Company, printer of this intaglio replica from an original plate. Felix Argenti was an Italian immigrant whose colorful career began as an editor who satirized any Italian of note. After being imprisoned nine years for lampooning the king's mistress, he went to England and thence to America. He became well known as a financial writer in New York City before moving to California in 1849 and entering the banking field. Records show that the Banking House failed in 1855 and that Argenti then formed another firm that lasted only a year. He died on May 19, 1861.



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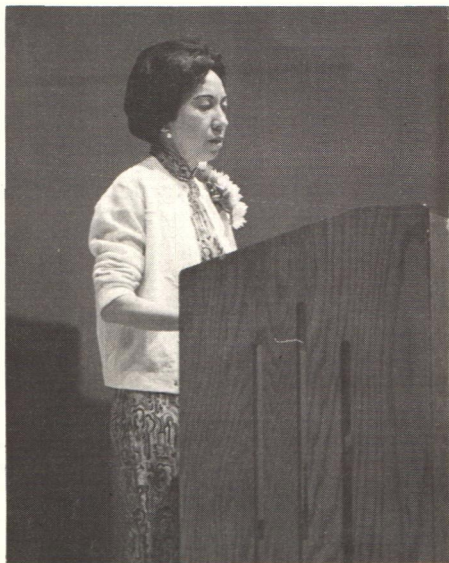
LIBRARY

Coole Library Officially Opens

Approximately 200 guests attended the formal dedication of the Arthur Braddan Coole Oriental Library at ANA Headquarters on July 10. Executive Vice President Edward C. Rochette welcomed visitors to the ceremonies in Packard Hall at The Colorado College, and President Adna G. Wilde, Jr. introduced the evening's guest speaker, Rose Chan Houston. Presently associate curator of Far Eastern coins at the American Numismatic Society in



A ribbon-cutting ceremony, performed July 10 by ANA President Adna G. Wilde (center), Executive Vice President Ed Rochette (right) and Museum Curator Bob Hoge, officially opened the new museum exhibit entitled "A Numismatic Tribute to Arthur Braddan Coole."



Rose Chan Houston, associate curator of Far Eastern coins at the American Numismatic Society, discussed Arthur Braddan Coole's contributions to numismatics at the dedication of the Coole Oriental Library at ANA Headquarters.

New York, Mrs. Houston gave an interesting and detailed account of the late Reverend Coole's contributions to the field of numismatics, after which guests were invited to an open house at ANA Headquarters to view the Coole Library. Refreshments were served, and guided tours of the Headquarters building were conducted. Librarian Nancy Green demonstrated the computerized catalog of the Coole Library collection, and a continuous slide program entitled "Silver Dollars of China" was presented in the Amos Press Theater. A new museum exhibit displaying Oriental coins and artifacts, "A Numismatic Tribute to Arthur Braddan Coole," also was officially opened and will be featured in the museum through April 1984.

The late Reverend Coole spent nearly

a third of a century in China, 18 of those years as a Methodist missionary, and was a teacher, author and outstanding authority on Chinese numismatics. The library he amassed contains over 1,500 books, most written in Chinese and published in the traditional Chinese manner, and includes references about coins from China, Japan, Korea and Annam (Viet Nam). Covering many aspects of numismatics, the Library occupies almost 120 feet of shelf space. Several antique Oriental artifacts, on loan from Augustin Galleries of Colorado Springs, decorate the Library, creating a

traditional Far Eastern atmosphere.

Five hundred souvenir cards were produced by the ANA to commemorate the dedication of the Coole Library. Featured on each of the cards is a genuine Chinese bank note issued by the Central Bank of China from 1930 to 1948, bearing a portrait of the founder of the Republic of China, Sun Yat-sen, and an elaborate flower design overprinted with value letters. Intended to facilitate customs payments, notes such as the one featured were known as customs gold units (CGU), having a value of US\$0.40 per unit.

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CHINA

China's ancient civilization began in the Huang Ho basin about 1500 B.C. The warring feudal states comprising early China were first united under Emperor Chin Shih Huang Ti (246-210 B.C.), who gave China its name and first central government. Subsequent dynasties alternated brilliant cultural achievements with internal disorder until the empire was brought down by the revolution of 1911 and the Republic of China installed in its place. Chinese culture attained a preeminence in art, literature and philosophy, but a traditional backwardness in industry and administration ill prepared China for the demands of 19th-century western expansionism, thus exposing the country to military and political humiliations and mandating a drastic revision of political practice in order to secure an accommodation with the modern world.

Barely surviving the stress of World War I and all but shattered by the rise of nationalism and the emergence of the Chinese Communist movement, the Republic sought to establish an agreement between the Chinese Communist Party and the Kuomintang (National People's Party) of Sun Yat-sen. The ensuing cooperation was based on little more than the hope each of using the other.

An increasingly uneasy association between the Kuomintang and the Chinese Communist Party developed and continued until April 12, 1927, when Chiang Kai-shek, Sun Yat-sen's political heir, instituted a bloody purge to stamp out the Communists within the Kuomintang government, virtually paralyzing their ranks throughout China. Some time after the purge, the Chinese Communist Party turned to armed force to oust Chiang Kai-shek, and during the period of 1930-34 the Party acquired control of large parts of several provinces. The Nationalist Nanking government responded with a series of campaigns against the Soviet power bases and by October, 1934 succeeded in driving the remnants of the Communist army to a refuge in the Shensi Province. Subsequently, under the leadership of Mao Tse-tung, the Communists defeated the Nationalists and on September 21, 1949, formally established the People's Republic of China.

CENTRAL BANK OF CHINA Customs Gold Units

When these notes were first issued in 1930, they were not regarded as circulating currency. The notes, as the name indicates, represented a quantity of gold, which at the time was equivalent to fifty U.S. cents. In 1940 the CGU notes became legal tender and circulated until 1948. It is interesting to note that in 1947, because of rampant inflation, the Central Bank of China changed the value of the notes to twenty times that shown on the face. This required multiplication of the face value by twenty every time the note changed hands.

DEDICATION OF THE ARTHUR BRADDAN COOLE ORIENTAL LIBRARY

July 10, 1983



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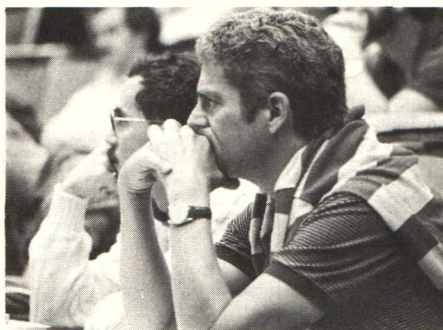


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SEMINAR

Seminar Attendance Reaches New Heights

The 1983 Summer Seminar, held July 10-16 in Colorado Springs, was enjoyed by approximately 150 ANA members who traveled from all over the country to participate in a variety of class offerings, such as Coin Club Management, instructed by Ed Rochette; Basic Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins, jointly taught by



Students attending orientation are engrossed by ANA President Adna Wilde's account of his numismatic trip to China.



YNs eagerly discuss their finds at the annual book sale sponsored by the ANA Library.

ANACS authenticators Mike Fahey and Mike Fuljenz; Advanced Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins, with authenticators Dave Jones and Rick Montgomery; Ancient Coins, taught by ANA museum curator Bob Hoge; All About Coins, with instructor Q. David Bowers;



Executive Vice President Ed Rochette (front left) and YN Chairwoman Florence Schook (front, third from right) pose in front of ANA Headquarters with this year's group of Young Numismatists.

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The Brown Palace Hotel, long a Denver landmark, provided participants in the Denver Mint tour with a very interesting and enjoyable lunch break.

Coin Grading, with instructors Tom DeLorey and Bill Fivaz; and Coin Photography, taught by editor N. Neil Harris and members of the ANA photography staff. Also included in the seminar program were trips to the Denver Mint and the Colorado Gold Rush towns of Victor and Cripple Creek, which gave students a much needed break from their studies and allowed them to explore some of Colorado's popular numismatic attractions.



Seminar students gather on the steps of the Denver Mint, awaiting the beginning of a special tour guided by Mint personnel.



ANACS Director Ken Bressett (standing, left) and authenticators Leonard Albrecht (center) and Tom DeLorey answer questions during a class in grading.

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Instructor Gail Melton (right) explains axial lighting techniques to the Coin Photography class.



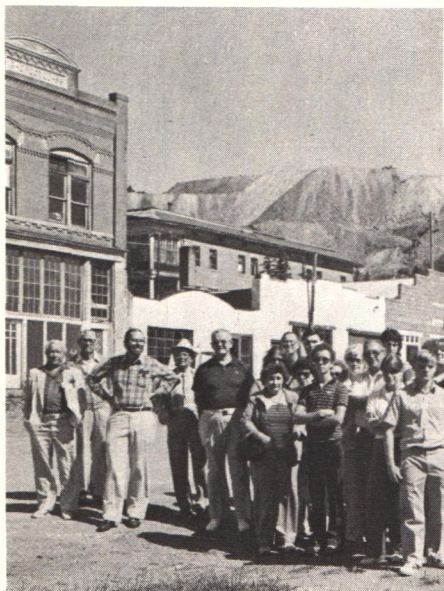
Instructor Mike Fahey shares his knowledge of authenticating with students in Basic Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins.



Students are instructed in film processing by ANA photographer Jim Lummel.



Instructor Q. David Bowers (left) examines an Isabella Mine stock certificate with Treasurer Bill Henderson during the tour of Victor and Cripple Creek.



Historic Victor, Colorado, "The City of Mines," serves as the perfect backdrop for a group portrait.

Collection Features Examples of U.S. Gold

Gold coins have been avidly collected since antiquity and today form an important part of every major numismatic collection. Although the Museum's collection of United States gold coins includes a number of splendid specimens, it is still relatively small and very incomplete. This is particularly unfortunate in that museum visitors always seem to find gold especially fascinating.

The Museum would like to expand its collection of United States gold, not only because of its beauty, historical value and potential for attracting visitors, but also because it could prove very useful in research, seminar instruction and counterfeit detection.

The following list includes the United States gold coins currently represented in the ANA cabinet. Coins not listed are eagerly sought as donations in keeping with the goal established by the Board of Governors to obtain a specimen of

every United States coin. Under the terms of the ANA's Statement of Collecting Policy, duplicates of those coins listed below are also welcome, thus providing two examples of each issue and allowing the museum to continually upgrade its holdings.



1849 gold dollar. Presented by Margaret H. Lloyd.



1823 gold Eagle with merchant's counterstamp. Presented by Sidney W. Smith and William J. Mertes.



1878 \$3 gold piece. Presented by Margaret H. Lloyd.



1848-C gold Quarter Eagle. Presented by John Jay Pittman.



1882-CC gold Half Eagle. Presented by Stack's.

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1915 gold Quarter Eagle. Presented by Margaret H. Lloyd.



1933 gold Eagle. Presented by F.C.C. Boyd and James G. Macallister.

U.S. Gold Coins in the ANA Collection

GOLD DOLLARS

1849	open wreath
1850-O	
1853	
1854	type 1
1854-S	
1854	type 2
1855	
1857	
1857-C	
1861	
1862	
1870	
1873	closed 3
1873	open 3
1878	
1880	
1881	
1884	
1886	
1889	

GOLD QUARTER EAGLES

1836	
1843-O	small date
1845-D	
1848-C	
1850	
1852-O	
1861	
1873	closed 3
1883	
1904	
1907	
1908	
1909	
1910	
1911	
1912	
1913	
1914-D	

1915

1925-D

\$3 GOLD PIECES

1854
1854-O
1866
1874
1878
1886
1888

GOLD HALF EAGLES

1795	small eagle
1803/2	
1804	small 8
1823	
1836	
1838-C	
1848	
1853	
1858	
1862	
1869	
1871	
1882-CC	
1885	
1885-S	
1886-S	
1892	
1895	
1899-S	
1901	
1901-S	
1903-S	
1909-D	
1910	
1910-D	
1911	
1912-S	
1914	

GOLD EAGLES

1839	large letters
1847-O	
1881-S	
1886-S	
1894	
1901	
1906-D	
1907	
1911-S	
1933	

GOLD DOUBLE EAGLES

1850	
1856-S	
1861	
1867-S	
1868-S	
1876-S	
1877-S	
1891-S	
1894	
1903	Proof
1906-S	
1907	high relief, Roman numerals, wire rim small letters on edge
1907	
1908	
1910-D	
1913	
1924	
1926-S	
1927	
1931	

COMMEMORATIVE GOLD

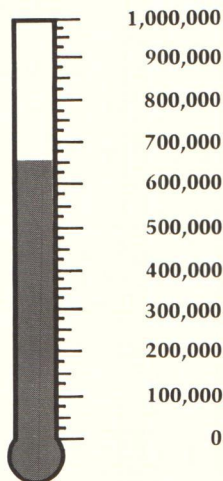
1903	Louisiana Purchase, Jefferson Dollar
1926	Sesquicentennial \$2½

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Under \$25.00	34.25
Balance of Building Fund	665,095.98
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Association bylaws require publication of each application but not necessarily the applicant's mailing address. However, if the option to omit the street or box number was not exercised on the application form, it has been published herein. Such applicants should realize that numerous mailings will follow from various dealers and other numismatic organizations that scan the monthly publication of applicants.

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 R 99687 **John Coppola**, Framingham, MA. Expelled for
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 regarding non-payment of ANA advertising
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OBITUARIES

Louis Nagy ANA 63183

Prominent Chicago Coin Club member
 Louis Nagy died at age 75 on March 13
 in a Chicago hospital.

Louis was born in Budapest, Hungary,
 and received his master's degree from the
 city's Royal Academy of Music. An opera
 coach and accomplished pianist, he was
 employed by the United States Depart-
 ments of the Army, the Navy and De-
 fense, retiring in 1972 after 31 years of
 service.

Louis began collecting coins at an early
 age and joined the Chicago Coin Club in
 1965 and the ANA four years later.
 Specializing in foreign gold, he attended
 many coin shows as a bourse dealer after
 his retirement. Two parcels of land in

Beverly Shores, Indiana, were donated by
 him to the ANA in 1973.

His wife of 52 years, Charlette, survives
 him.

Frieda Z. Schnell ANA 61550

Chicago Coin Club member Frieda
 Schnell died March 22 in Fort Lauderdale,
 Florida, where she retired in 1979. A
 devoted member and supporter of her
 local club, she seldom missed a meeting
 even though alone and in her 70s.

Frieda was born in Laupenburg, Ger-
 many, emigrating to the United States at
 age 10. An energetic and versatile lady,
 she was described thusly by a colleague:
 "She built a career as an acclaimed dress

designer, became a professional artist, world traveler and avid political observer." Frieda attended the Art Institute of Chicago and art schools in Paris, Vienna, Cologne and Mexico City, and was a great fan of opening-night performances of opera, ballet and theatre in Chicago and New York.

She is survived by a brother, a nephew and two great-nephews.

John A. Shaffer **ANA 20627**

Indiana lost one of its ardent numismatists when John Shaffer died last December 23 at age 74. A native of Uniontown, Pennsylvania, he lived in New Haven, Indiana, for more than 25 years.

Retiring from Phelps Dodge after 40 years of service, John engaged in many community activities. He helped promote a five-year series of New Haven Canal Days medals, took part in senior citizens' events and was past president of the New Haven Kiwanis Club.

John served as president and board member of the Adams County Coin Club in Decatur; president and all other offices of the Old Fort Coin Club in Fort Wayne; and Club and District Representative for the ANA. For his contributions to the hobby in general and for his organizational services, the ANA named John Outstanding Club Representative in 1967. He received his ANA 25-year membership medal in 1978.

Survivors include his widow, Velma, two stepdaughters and a brother.

Marjorie Baker Ross **ANA 27766**

Well known in the Midwest as Marge Baker, Mrs. Ross died in a medical center in Elk Grove Village, Illinois, on April 30 following a year's illness.

Prior to moving to Chicago in 1960, Mrs. Ross was a resident of Peoria, Illinois, and quite active in the local coin club. In Chicago she was employed by Leonard Stark at his Central Coin Mart in the Loop until 1968, after which she managed Tom Ryan's Coin and Stamp Shop in the Yorktown Shopping Center.

A true collector who helped many a novice from behind the counter, she collected enameled coins, love tokens and spoons embodying coins.

Marge joined the Chicago Coin Club in 1961 and served eleven years as its secretary-treasurer, receiving the 1965 Medal of Merit. Secretary of the Illinois Numismatic Association from 1959 to 1963, she was also affiliated with the Central States and Indiana State organizations. She received her ANA 25-year membership medal in 1982.

Survivors include her husband, William, four children from a previous marriage, and several brothers and sisters.

Jack W. Ogilvie **LM 93**

A prominent member of the Association for several decades, Jack Ogilvie died on May 5 at age 82 following several years of illness. Born in Paducah, Kentucky, Jack spent most of his life in Hollywood, writing and editing film for the motion picture industry. He met Helga Linda early in 1953 while on assignment with the Foreign Service in Munich, Germany, and was married the day before Christmas that year.

An ANA member since 1936, Jack developed an interest in the Association's history and contributed the results of his research to *The Numismatist*, which published his comprehensive biographical sketches of the first 16 Association presidents, "The ANA and its Presidents," from 1961-66. As guest editor of the October 1966 special edition of *The Numismatist*, which observed the ANA's 75th anniversary, he wrote two articles.

Appointed ANA historian in 1950, Jack held the position for more than 20 years, initiating the 25- and 50-year membership medals. His devoted service earned him the 1953 Medal of Merit and the 1964 Farran Zerbe Memorial Award.

In addition to his widow, Helga, he is survived by a daughter, sister and two brothers.—Glenn S.

P.S. On my last visit to Jack he said that he would like me to one day write his obituary. Wish granted, friend.



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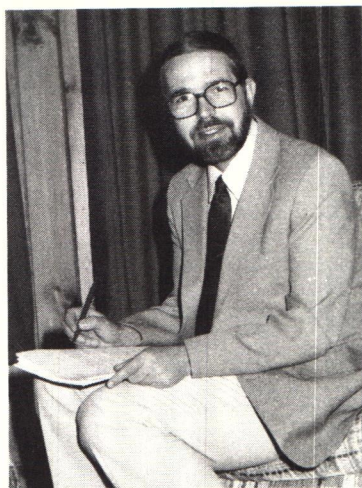
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by Q. David Bowers

Wednesday afternoon, June 29th, at 4:38 p.m. was an eventful moment for me! After spending months delving into old letters, ledgers, records, periodicals, and other places - probably several thousand items were looked at - and after writing uncounted thousands of words, the manuscript for the Virgil Brand book was completed! I almost feel as though I am one of his closest acquaintances now.

As you may know, Virgil collected coins in a way that no one else before or since has done. Born in 1861, he began his interest in numismatics around 1889. From then until his death in 1926 he collected just about everything! Not content with just one 1884 trade dollar - a coin of which only ten were struck - Virgil had six or seven! Not happy with just one 1885 trade dollar - of which five exist - Virgil had three or four! How about 1827 quarters by the dozens (yes, you read correctly!)? Or MCMVII High Relief double eagles by the hundreds? Or sparkling new dimes, quarters, and half dollars ordered directly from the San Francisco and New Orleans mints by the hundreds - back in the 1890s? You name it, and Virgil probably had it - or a dozen!



Q. David Bowers with a part of the manuscript for the new book, **Virgil Brand, the Man and His Era**.

One might consider such purchases, which by his death amounted to about 350,000 coins (if kept intact until today, 1983, they would have been worth hundreds of millions of dollars!), to have been a bit ostentatious. For years one of the many legends which surrounded Virgil, making him larger than life, was that he recklessly bought coins without knowing a half dime from a stella. The truth is different. The book which I have just completed tells you all you ever wanted to know about Virgil - and then some. Virgil emerges as a serious, dedicated numismatist. Edgar H. Adams, the most prolific researcher of the first decade of the 20th century, visited Virgil in Chicago and sought his counsel. Virgil carefully pointed out the characteristics of some very sophisticated counterfeits, which were subsequently described for *The Numismatist*, official journal of the A.N.A. Virgil, twice elected president of the Chicago Numismatic Society, frequently gave talks and educational discussions. At one meeting Virgil, perhaps emulating Shakespeare, conducted a numismatic play, with all of the parts set to rhyme!

The writing of the book was made possible by the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and the heirs of Jane Brand Allen (Virgil's niece), who selected my firm, Bowers and Merena Galleries, to sell at auction in November and also in a separate later sale in 1984 a small but significant segment of the United States coins given to her as an heir decades ago. Included are about 3,000 coins, worth in the millions, and comprising many scarce and rare coins in addition to some really spectacular examples of less rare, but quite important items (such as Philadelphia Mint gold proofs and Uncirculated coins ordered directly from the mints at the time of issue). Suffice it to say, you'll be at once surprised and delighted!

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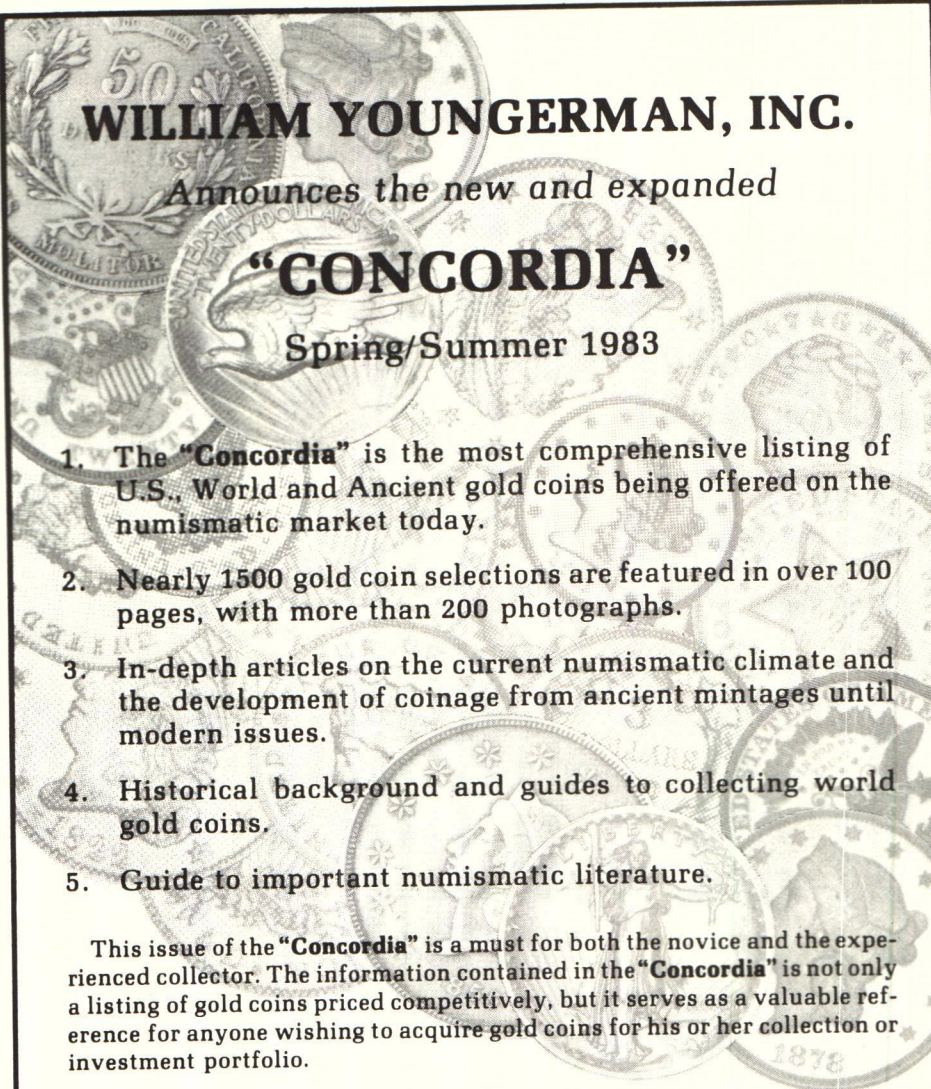
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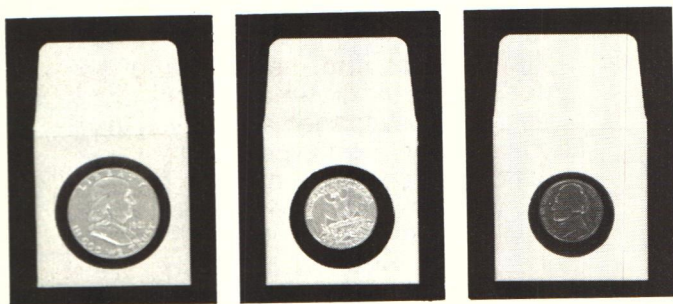


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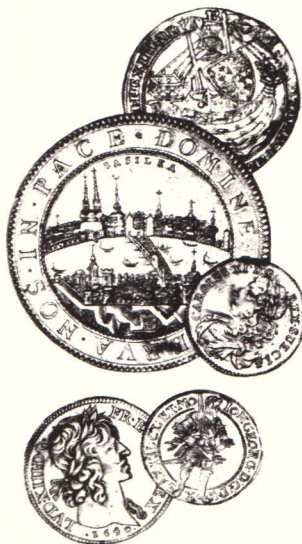
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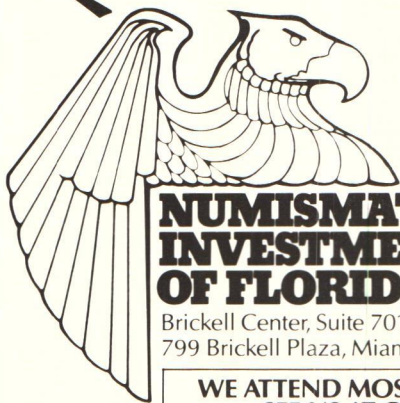
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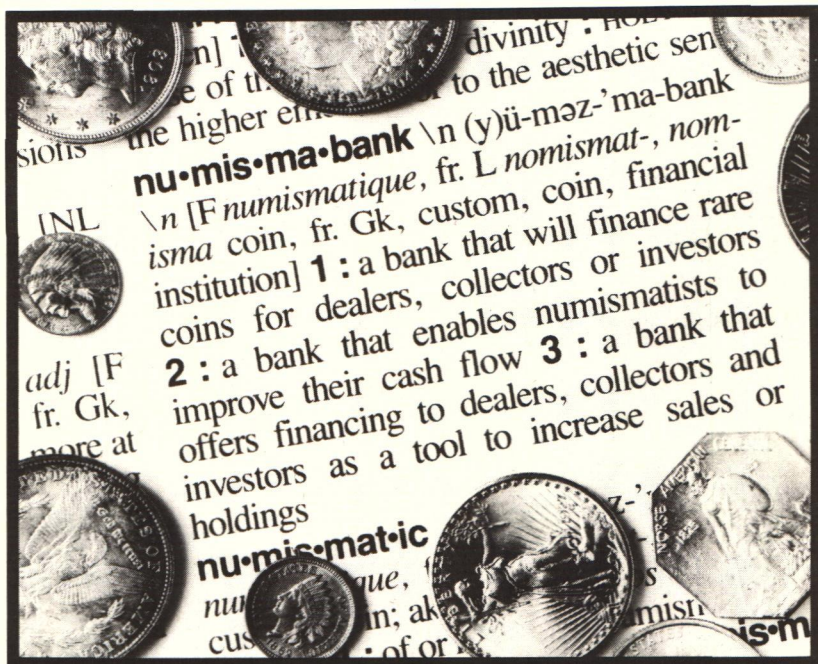
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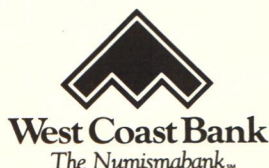
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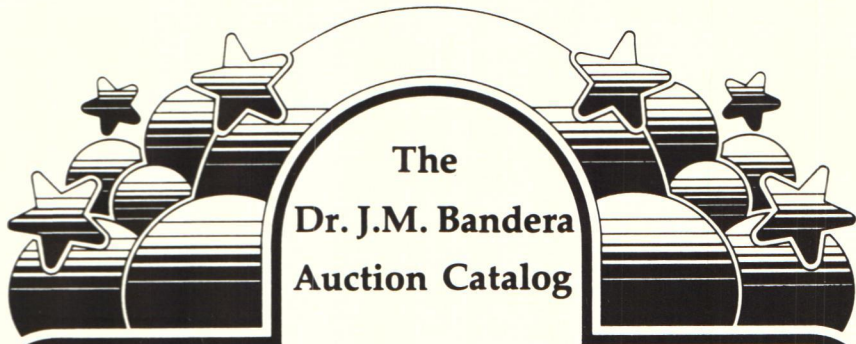
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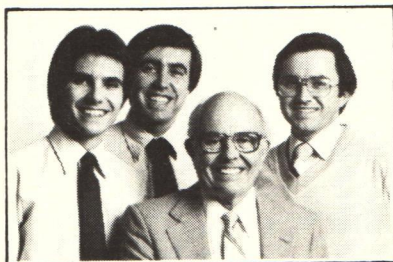
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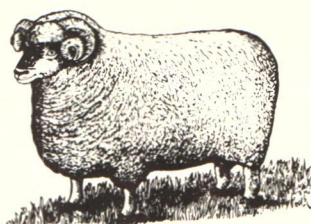
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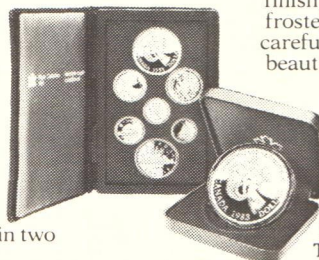
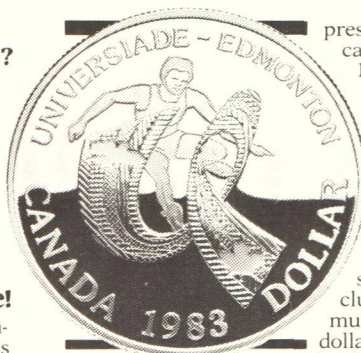
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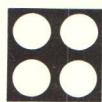
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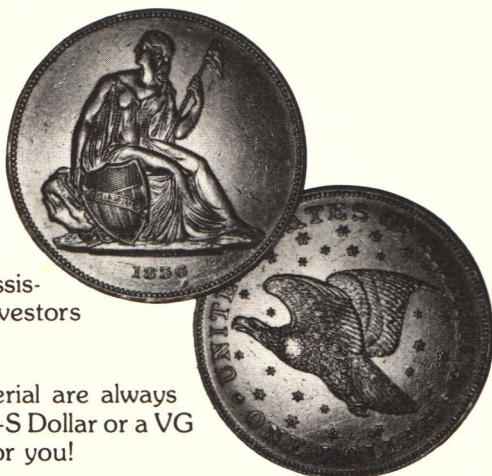
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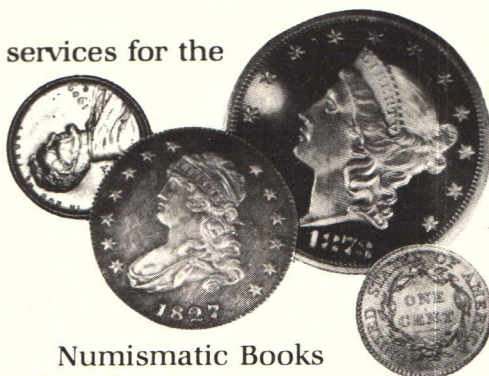
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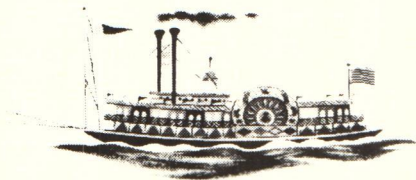
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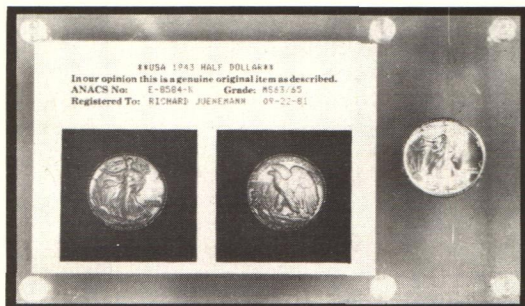
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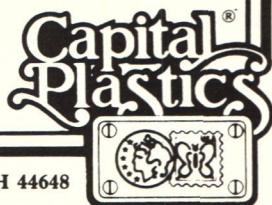
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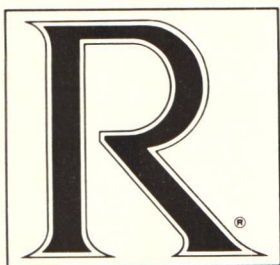
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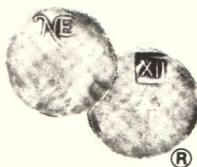
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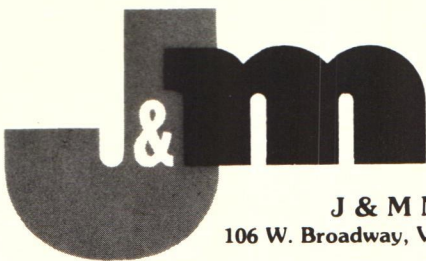
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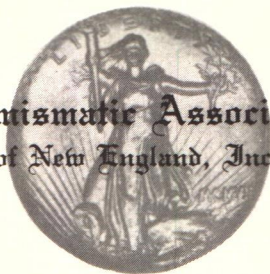
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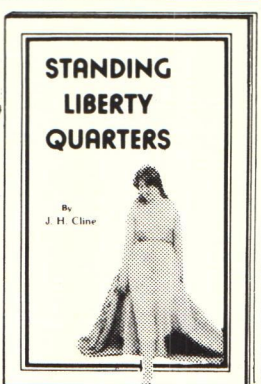
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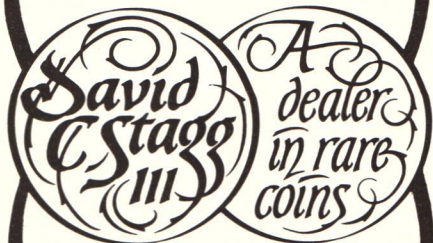
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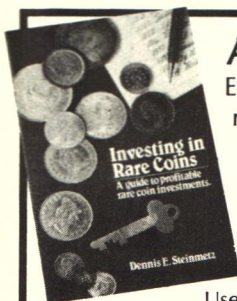
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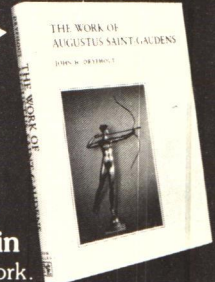
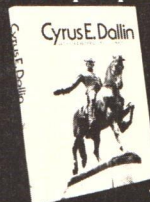
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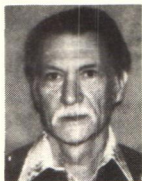
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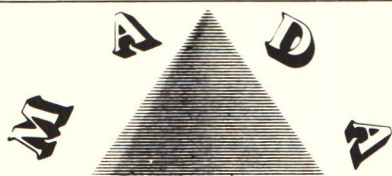
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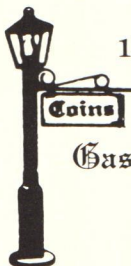
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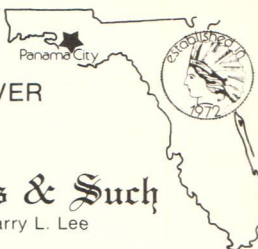
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Kern, Jonathan K.	1979	Numismatic Associates of New		Spink & Son USA, Inc.	1896-97
Keystone Coin & Stamp		England, Inc.	1984	Stack's	1FC
Exchange	1999	Numismatic Enterprises	1967	Stagg, David, III	1987
King, James D.	1994	Numismatic Fine Arts, Inc.	1937	Steinberg, Mel.	2021
Kiscadden, Mike, Rare Coins	2015	Numismatic Investments of		Steinberg's	2025
Klausen, Jack.	2009	Florida	1908	Steinmetz Investments	1992
Knight, Lyn F., Inc.	2025	Numismatic Professionals,		Stephens, Karl.	2019
Knightsbridge Coins	1987	Inc.	1933	Stockton, Mark	2010
Kolbe, George Frederick	1992	Numismatic Resources, Inc.	1930	Stockton, P.E.	2017
Koppenhaver, Paul L.	2011	Numismatic Studio, The	1984	Strauss Coins & Stamps, Inc.	2011
Kosoff, Abe, Inc.	1975	Numismatics, Ltd.	1899	Superior Stamp & Coin Co.,	
Kovacs, Frank L.	2006	Numismax	2001	Inc.	1904
Kraso Coins	2027	Oakes, Dean	2000	Sweeney, Fred, Rare Coins,	
Krause Publications ...	1809, OBC	O'Carmony's Coins	1993	Inc.	2020
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Krueger, Kurt R.	1814	Numismatics, Inc.	1991	Swiss Bank Corp. (San	
Kutcher, Bruce, Inc.	2023	Old Coin Shop	1919	Francisco	1907
LaBarre, George H., Galleries	2025	Old Roman, Inc., The	2008	Sycamore Coin Gallery	2011
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Le Blanc Numismatics, Inc.	1991	Orlando, Mike	2010	Teaparty, J.J.	1994
Legal Tender Rare Coins, Inc.	2025	Ossie's Coin Shop	1949	Tebo Coin Co.	2015
Leidman, Julian	1992	Pacific Gold & Silver	2014	Teller, M. Louis	1983
Lepczyk, Joseph L.	1925	Palisades International Co.	2016	Texas Foreign Exchange	2002
Levin, Benjamin	1996	Paramount Rare Coin Corp.		Tilden Coin Co.	2012
Levy, Martin D.	2024		1905	Tobias, Herbert	2016
Lipton, Kevin, Rare Coins,		Park Avenue Coin Center, Inc.	2025	Toledo Coin Exchange	2020
Inc.	2027	Pasadena Coin Co.	2023	Tower Coin & Stamp	
Littleton Rare Coins	1921	Paul, John E.	1966	Exchange	1965
London Coin Galleries	2022	Pekao Trading Corp.	1906	Travers, Scott, Rare Coin	
Long Island Unlimited	2016	Perakis-DiGenova	1985	Galleries, Inc.	2021
MADA, Inc.	2018	Perry, Dave & Sue	1984	Uhl, Ted	1976
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Main Line Coin & Stamp,		Ponterio & Associates, Inc.	1943	Van Grover, J.J., Ltd.	2002
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Malter, Joel L. & Co., Inc.	1972	Presidential Coin & Antique		Venus Numismatics/Eros	
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Manfra, Tordella & Brookes,		Professional Numismatists		Village Square Rare Coin Co.	2026
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Currency	1990	Record Coin Shop	1997	West Coast Bank	1913
Merkin, Lester, Rare Coins	2024	Renrob Coins, Inc.	1966	Westfall, Robert E., Inc.	1958
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Mish International Monetary,		Sarr Gold Coin Co.	2013	Woodcliff Investments Corp.	2016
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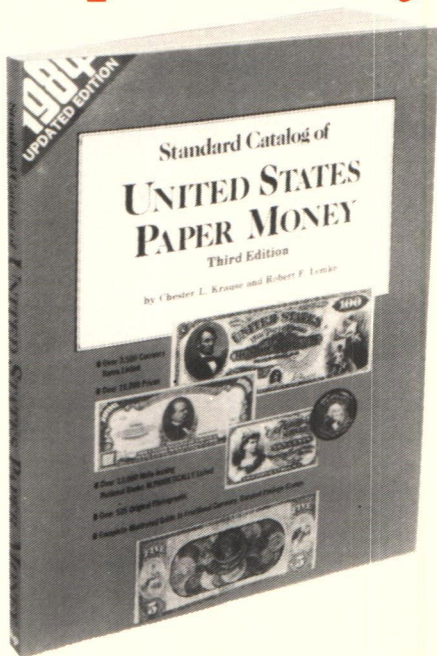
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